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WHITEAWAY'S

"Roll Out The Barrel," Diggers Sing As They Join Army Of Million In East

FIRST ANZAC ARMIES ENCAMPED IN EGYPT

That in the last war Australia mobilised 412,953 men, of whom 331,781 were sent overseas.

The cost of equipping and maintaining these forces was borne by the Commonwealth.

It was the Australian land and sea forces which reduced and occupied the Solomon Islands, the Bismarck Archipelago and other German colonial possessions in the Pacific.

In Egypt Australian troops helped to repel the early attacks by the enemy on the Suez Canal.

In 1915 came the Dardanelles campaign, and after the withdrawal from Gallipoli the bulk of the Australian infantry was sent to France.

By 1916 Australia had five infantry divisions on active service while the greater part of two divisions of cavalry served in Palestine.

The Australian Expeditionary Force lost 58,132 dead and had a total casualty list of 214,360.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SUEZ, FEB. 12 (UP).—THE FIRST CONTINGENT OF THE FAMOUS ANZACS—THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS WHICH WON FAME AT GALLIPOLI AND LATER IN THE WESTERN FRONT IN THE LAST WAR—SANG "ROLL OUT THE BARREL" FROM THE DECKS OF THEIR PARADE OF LUXURY LINERS AS THEY PASSED THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL IN A LINE THAT STRETCHED BEYOND THE HORIZON.

They were a fine-looking body of men, thousands strong, wearing the Digger hats that were famous twenty-five years ago.

Long before they disembarked their raucous "Cooees" told Egypt that the Anzacs had arrived.

BRADMAN'S SCORE

"How many has Bradman scored in the Sheffield Shield?" was a sergeant's first query as the men started to come down the gangplanks.

Captain Anthony Eden, Minister for the Dominions, flew to Egypt to welcome the Diggers on behalf of the King.

The Australians and New Zealanders disembarked without losing one man on the voyage.

Their parade of luxury liners was the biggest troop convoy the world has seen in over a quarter-of-a-century. The voyage, over 10,000 miles, was also the war's longest.

As in 1914, the Anzacs are remaining in Egypt—for the present.

They will live in camouflaged tents which include showers, cinemas, swimming pools, an Australian National Travel Association bureau and recreation rooms.

The Australian and New Zealand troopships merged into a single convoy at sea.

They were escorted by units of the Royal Australian Navy and the Royal Navy.

Tall, tough and tanned, many of the men who disembarked to-day are repeating a momentous day in the lives of their fathers, for it is just over 25 years ago that the first Australian and New Zealand contingents disembarked at the identical spot. On April 25, twenty-five years ago this year, they participated in the landing at Gallipoli.

Lieut. General Sir Thomas Blamey, the gaunt Digger of the 1914-18 War, is Commander in Chief of the second A.I.F. Major General B.C. Freyberg is commanding the N.Z.E.F.

Army Of Million Men

These Antipodeans are joining an Allied Army in the Near East already estimated to number upwards of a million men. They are ready for any eventuality in this part of the world.

In the last war the Turks were their enemy. To-day, the Turks are friendly and there is no fear of an attack on the Suez Canal from that direction.

The defence area assigned to the Near East forces stretches from Rumania in the north to Aden in the south and from Egypt in the west to the Caspian Sea in the east.

Leaders Confer

The arrival of the Anzacs coincided with the return of General Weygand, the French C. in C., to his headquarters at Beyrnet, after consulting with General Wavel, the C. in C. of the Army in Egypt.

Although the consultations were naturally secret, it can be taken for granted that the Allied generals discussed how best to use the colourful armies from many races under their commands if the war spreads to the Balkans, the Near East or the Middle East in the spring.

After six weeks of sea life, the Anzacs were a bit weary of travelling, and they let themselves go when they arrived to-day.

They cheered Captain Anthony Eden, they cheered the British C. in C., they cheered their own leaders and they cheered the Egyptian officials who had turned out to give them an enthusiastic welcome.

"Roll Out the Barrel" sang the visiting fighters, with a special emphasis on that line—"for the gang's all here."

They were grand, bronzed men, and they grinned with delight.

When they go into action against the Nazis, their victory "Cooee", judging by to-day's effort, is likely to be heard all the way to Australia and New Zealand.

NEW ZEALAND, the British Dominion that boasts that it is more British than England, consists chiefly of two islands with an area of 102,000 square miles.

On January 26 last, New Zealand celebrated its centenary as an integral part of the British Empire.

The Dominion has a Labour Government, which came into power in 1935 and was the first Socialist government ever to gain office in the Dominion.

Like the Australians, the New Zealanders covered themselves with glory in the last war. They participated in the Gallipoli campaign and served later in France.

Population of New Zealand is 1,536,000, of whom 143,000 lives in the capital, Wellington.

ENVOY PREDICTS "HELL LET LOOSE" IN THE SPRING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PALM BEACH, Florida, Feb. 12 (UP).—"All hell is liable to break loose in Europe this spring," said Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to London, in a speech at a social function here to-day.

It will be recalled that Mr. Kennedy, with the late Mr. Dodd, predicted that war would commence in September last year.

The U.S. Ambassador told his listeners that "London was a 'hot spot' in Europe to-day."

Despite his gloomy predictions, Mr. Kennedy revealed that he is returning to his post in the capital of the British Empire.

He will leave for London on February 24.

Beforehand, however, he will undergo a rigid medical examination.

He has not announced whether Mrs. Kennedy and his large family of children will return to England with him.

Big Conference

Concurrently with Mr. Kennedy's warning, a Paris announcement states that M. Daladier, the French Premier, presided over a big military conference at General Gamelin's headquarters to-day.

The conference was attended by all the Generals commanding front line army groups and armies, and also by commanders outside the front line zone.

Rome And Berlin

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is reliably stated that the forthcoming visit of Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, has been the subject of an exchange of views between Rome and Berlin over the week-end, in the course of which Hitler was in telephonic conversation with Mussolini.

President Roosevelt's move is still the leading subject of discussion in the German Foreign Office, although no statement as to the official attitude is as yet available.

Red Precautions

ISTANBUL, Feb. 12 (UP).—According to well-informed quarters, the Russians have been fortifying the Russo-Turkish-Caucasian frontier since the Russo-Turkish negotiations in Moscow terminated and M. Sarajoglu returned to Ankara.

SOVIET IS AROUSED

Moscow Anger Against Allied "Aggression"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Feb. 12 (UP).—The Soviet Press has renewed its charges against the Allies, accusing them of seeking to spread the European conflict.

"American capitalists are also awaiting a convenient moment to enter the second imperialistic war, "Izvestia" says.

The paper added that the Red Army "will fulfil its fighting task with increased stubbornness and bravery.

"When the bourgeoise countries decide to attack the Soviet Union they will be convinced that the Red Army enjoys numberless friends and allies in all corners of the world, from Shanghai to New York and from London to Calcutta.

"Red Star," the Army organ, and "Trud" the Trades Union organ, as well as the official "Tass" news agency, join in the comment on foreign developments.

Waiting Opportunity

"The United States has not yet entered the second imperialistic war," says "Trud" in an editorial.

"The American capitalists are simply waiting their opportunity. Meanwhile, they are earning tremendous profits from the sale of arms which are preparing the ground."

"Tass" reported the Roosevelt speech to the American Youth Congress on Sunday, in which the President attacked the Soviet. The news agency, however, did not report the text of the speech but simply quoted "press despatches from Washington."

It claimed that the 4,000 delegates to the Youth Congress reacted coldly to the President's speech, especially when he attacked the Soviet Union.

FURTHER PROOF OF STRENGTH

WELLINGTON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Announcing the arrival of the Anzacs in Egypt, the Hon. Mr. Peter Fraser, Minister of Marine, said that the Royal Navy has again demonstrated its protective strength in the safe conveyance of troops from Empire out-posts. The troops were escorted by British, Australian and New Zealand warships.

Big Dutch Liner Is Torpedoed

ROTTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The 6,853-ton Holland America liner, Burgerdijk, has been torpedoed by a German U-boat, according to a cable received by the owners from the Captain of the Dutch steamer.

The Holland-America Line have informed the Dutch Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the torpedoing of the Burgerdijk.

The pretext for the torpedoing of the ship is not clear.

It is learned that the vessel was nine-tenths laden with goods destined for the Dutch Government, including a quantity of grain. The remaining one-tenth consisted of piece-goods for individual Dutch importers.

The vessel was bound for Rotterdam and did not plan to touch a foreign port, so there could be no question of contraband.

The affair is regarded here as an even more flagrant violation of International Law than the recent torpedoing of the motorship, Arendskerk, which was carrying non-contraband goods to South Africa.

This is the 13th ship lost by Holland during the war and the third torpedoed.

WESTERN FRONT

New Cold Wave Stops Warfare

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A new cold wave has reduced activity on the Western Front.

In the air, two or three photographic missions were all that either side undertook.

On land, there was some patrol activity, but fighting occurred only at one spot east of the Moselle, where the Germans attempted to surround a French outpost.

The Germans were repulsed by machine-gun fire before the intended attack could be launched.

In the absence of other developments, the Germans are particularly active on the propaganda front, Paris and other centres having been overwhelmed with reports of big German troop movements.

Most of these stories mention ten divisions.

Information at the disposal of the French High Command does not indicate that there is any significant change in the German dispositions.

Still Nil To Report

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A communique states that there is nothing of importance to report.

Sweden Shows Deep Concern

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Deep concern at the heavy toll on Swedish shipping as a result of the Nazi campaign is becoming increasingly evident.

A Swedish news agency reports that 34 ships, one-twentieth of Sweden's total tonnage, have been lost by German action since the beginning of the war.

Swedish shipping leaders are insisting that the Government find some means of halting this rapid destruction of Sweden's merchant fleet.

Reds Sign Pact With Germans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is officially announced from Moscow that the Russo-German Trade Pact has been signed, following seven weeks' negotiations in Berlin and Moscow.

The pact is believed to provide for the reciprocal delivery of goods totalling 1,000 million Reichsmarks in value.

The German deliveries will consist of machinery and industrial products while the Russian deliveries will be chiefly oil, ores, fodder and naptha.

It is understood that Germany will provide the entire plant for the manufacture of artificial rubber and also a quantity of modern oil refining equipment.

The construction of these works in Russia will be under German engineers and specialists.

DECISIONS APPROVED

New Central Regime Leaders Meet

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Representatives of the Kuomintang, various non-Kuomintang political leaders and non-party National leaders met here to-day and unanimously approved the decisions reached in the Tsingtao Conference in connection with the establishment of a new central regime, according to the "China News Agency."

The way is now clear, it is added, for the convocation of a central political conference in order to put the finishing touches to the arrangements in the formation of the new government.

Among those expected to be invited to attend this conference are the leaders of both the Provisional and Reformed governments, certain members of the Central Executive and Supervisory Committees of the Kuomintang, and members of other political parties.

FINNISH CITY WIPED OUT BY RED ARTILLERY

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The furious Russian pressure on the Mannerheim Line, which has now been maintained for twelve days, appears to be increasing rather than diminishing.

Although there is no sign of the Finnish defences, weakening, the strain on the defenders is obviously becoming great.

A communique issued to-night makes clear that the short front at Summa—seven or eight miles wide—is being attacked by several Soviet divisions at once. Thus from 30,000 to 50,000 men are being thrown against the Finnish defences in this sector.

It is reported that some Russian troops are using metal shields about two feet wide for their advance in the snow.

An eye-witness states that Finnish block-houses and forts at the Summa front are standing up remarkably well to the tremendous hail of artillery fire to which they have been subjected during the past two weeks.

The Finns are fighting bravely but cautiously.

Meanwhile, somewhere in the interior of the country, Finland's Foreign Legion is undergoing intensive training to relieve the men at the front as early as possible.

Summa Obliterated

An official communique on the Finnish war states that the Russian attack on Summa is continuing even more violently than before.

Heavy Russian losses are mentioned. These losses include the total on all fronts of over 1,000 killed and 73 tanks destroyed.

The communique adds that several enemy divisions attacked in the Summa sector on February 11, supported by artillery, tanks and aeroplanes.

At the same time, the enemy attacked between Muolajarvi and Vuoksen, supported by 150 tanks.

Fighting continued near Taipale, the enemy attacking after four hours of preparatory artillery bombardment. The attack was repulsed.

The enemy tried to surround the positions on the Gulf of Finland and on Lake Ladoga by crossing the ice, but the fire of the Finnish batteries scattered their formations.

Mass Of Wreckage

Little remains of the village of Summa, in the centre of the Russian offensive, except that it is a mass of splinters from wrecked wooden houses, according to reports received here.

From the continued fury of the Russian attacks, it appears that the Russian commanders are staking everything on a break through the Mannerheim Line before the heavy snowfalls, which usually occur at the end of February, make further progress temporarily impossible.

Red Claims Refuted

The Russian claims of the capture of Finnish positions on the Karelian Isthmus are declared authoritatively to be "entirely without foundation."

It is learned that Viipuri was bombarded on Sunday evening by heavy guns from the Russian front. The city's electricity plants were damaged and the current interrupted for

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HUNGARIAN LEGION

Men Carry Their Own Equipment To Finland

TOULON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A party of 150 Hungarian volunteers for Finland left France for Scandinavia to-day. They are carrying equipment with them.

No British volunteers have gone to Finland as yet, stated Finnish circles in London to-day. Many had applied and filled in forms, however.

U.S. Sympathy

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—While Finland welcomes President Roosevelt's announcement in his speech to the American Youth Citizenship Institute that 98 per cent. of the United States sympathy is with the Finns, the only mention of the speech in Russia consists of a short New York despatch to the "Tass" official Soviet news agency.

This despatch merely quotes certain American papers to the effect that the speech was coolly received.

No "Apostles Of Peace"

ZURICH, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—"In the view of the Wilhelmstrasse, Germany is not prepared, at the moment, to act as an apostle of peace between Russia and Finland," states the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," who adds that stress

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INWARD MAILS

Australia and Manila .....Feb. 13.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 3rd Feb. Feb. 13.
Java and Manila .....Feb. 13.
Manila .....Feb. 13.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th January) .....Feb. 13.
Air Mail by "Air Franco Direct Service"—Paris date, 7th Feb. Feb. 14.
Canton .....Feb. 14.
Shanghai .....Feb. 14.
Canton .....Feb. 15.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 6th Dec., 1939) .....Feb. 15.
Manila .....Feb. 15.
Straits .....Feb. 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 20th January). Feb. 15.

OUTWARD MAILS
Tuesday, Feb. 13

Haiphong .....1 p.m.
Amoy .....2.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard .....2.30 p.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only) ....3.30 p.m.
Saigon .....6.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 21st Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg., ...Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 13, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg., ...Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 19th Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg., ...Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 13, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg., ...Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu
G. P. O. and K. P. O.
Reg., ...Feb. 13, 5.00 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 14, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco, (No Parcels for Canada) —due San Francisco, 1st March.
K.P.O.
Parcels .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 14, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 10.30 a.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 14, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 10.30 a.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 14
Bangkok .....8.30 a.m.
Ford Bayard and Haiphong ..1.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Province only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 22nd Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg .....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 7 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th March—and London Parcels—due London, 20th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Parcels .....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 15, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Thursday, Feb. 15
Canton .....7.15 a.m.
Sandakan .....12.30 p.m.
Shanghai .....12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard .....2.30 p.m.
Haiphong .....3 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 16
Amoy .....8.30 a.m.
Tourane .....8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 29th February.
K.P.O.
Parcels, ...Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg., ...Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels, ...Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg., ...Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only) ...12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—Due San Francisco, 23rd. February
K.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 17, 7.30 a.m.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE (opposite the lower Peak Tram Station) on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1940, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and Wednesday, the 6th March, 1940, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's office, Stock Exchange Building, Ice House Street, at NOON on THURSDAY, the 22nd February, 1940, but intending exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as early as possible.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscriptions and ALL THOSE who wish to join the Society are requested to send $5.00 to the undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1940.

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ONE vast room in St. James's Palace, given over to the Red Cross, to-day looks like a grocer's shop, with tablets of soap, tins of food-stuffs, slabs of chocolate and drums of cigarettes standing in rows and pyramids and symmetrical piles on shelves.

Three times a fortnight one 11lb. parcel, made of goods drawn from these stores, goes to every British prisoner of war in Germany and every interned civilian.

Originally they went by air to Paris, from Paris to the International Red Cross Headquarters in Geneva, and thence to Berlin for redispatch to the internment camps.

Now, as the postal route through Belgium is open, they go direct. It takes about a fortnight between dispatch and receipt—"Very good indeed," said an official.

Packing is done by 20 volunteer women workers, not all of whom are on duty at the same time.

The parcels vary in content, but every one contains a tin of cigarettes and a tablet of soap.

Once a quarter relatives are allowed to send individual parcels to prisoners of war. These are also sent by the Red Cross organisation.

R.A.F. PRISONER

Special facilities have been devised for airmen—the only Service which, so far, has lost any prisoners of war.

Immediately on receipt of news an overcoat and two blankets (issued by the Air Ministry), a small parcel of food and a package of "medical comforts"—dressings, iodine, invalid food, cough mixture, etc.—are sent to the prisoner. These go direct from Geneva, which, in turn, is supplied from London.

The average parcel contains:

1 box cheese	kidney
1 tin margarine	1 tin herrings
1 slab chocolate	1 tin curry
3 assorted soup squares	1 tin Bournvita
½lb. sugar	¼lb. tea
1 tin honey	1 tin milk
1 tin steak and	1 tablet soap
	1 tin cigarettes

For Rawalpindi Men

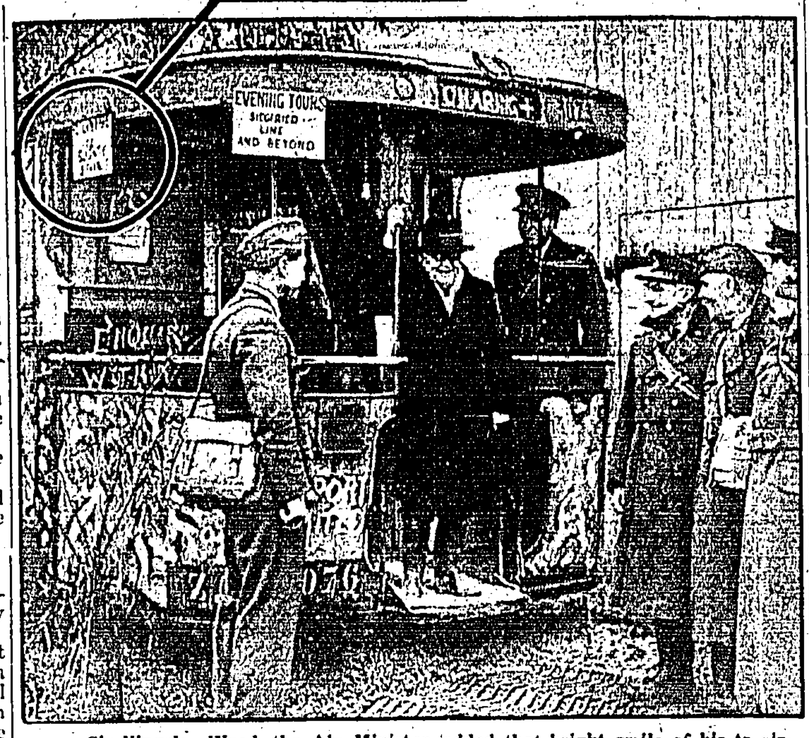
Biscuits, sausages, coffee essence, marmalade, canned soup, stew, jam vegetable salad in tins, sardines, vegetable and meat essences—the changes are rung as frequently as possible.

More and more items are being added. Latest recruits are a black-currant puree and halibut liver oil.

In a room piled with bales and stacks of supplies are parcels ready to go to Germany for the survivors of the Rawalpindi as soon as it is known where they are.

Here also are bales destined for Lascar seamen, who, tropic-born suffer bitterly from cold in their "prison"—a ship moored off the Baltic port of Bremen.

Lord Clarendon, who is in supreme command of this service has already paid public tribute to the manner in which the German authorities pass along the things sent out.



Sir Kingsley Wood, the Air Minister, added that bright smile of his to airmen's decorations of a French bus when he visited Royal Air Force units.

Aged Scientist Helps Win War

FROM dusk to dawn in every British naval base and harbour there is an unceasing flashing of signal lamps as ship talks to ship and to shore.

Anybody, friend or foe, can see the messages and read them—if they know the code.

Sir Ambrose Fleming, the famous scientist, has invented, at the age of 90, a simple and cheap spy-proof lamp, the signals from which can only be read by the specially equipped receiver for whom they are intended.

Sir Ambrose, inventor of the valve that made broadcasting practicable, demonstrated the lamp to J. D. S. Alan, the *Sunday Dispatch* Aviation Correspondent.

Pencil Of Light

Sir Ambrose, agile and certain in his actions despite his years, took the lamp and directed a fine pencil of light at my eye from the opposite end of a corridor.

I looked through a small tube. The light took a dark colour, then changed to steady white dot-and-dash flashes as Sir Ambrose operated the shutter of the lamp.

If that pencil of light had been surrounded by code readers and spies, they would have seen nothing. Only I with the tube could detect the flashing of the Morse code.

If spies were very close to the lamp they would see only unbroken white light.

The invention may prove of inestimable value to the Services and the Mercantile Marine, providing, as it does, a spy-proof method of signalling over short distances.

"Polarised" Light

The secret of Sir Ambrose's lamp is "polarised" light.

Light consists in vibrations. In ordinary light these take place in all directions. Polarised light looks just the same to the naked eye, but the vibrations are, in fact, confined to a single plane.

The projector sends out a beam of polarised light. For the dots and dashes of the message it changes this momentarily to ordinary light.

The naked eye cannot detect the difference. The casual observer sees nothing but a steady unwinking glow.

The special receiving instrument, however, filters the polarised light and makes it appear darker and of a different colour. On top of this the message stands out in separate flashes of white.

"I was called in by the late Lord Fisher," said Sir Ambrose, "to advise on this method of signalling in the last war.

Admiralty Know

"It was possible to use polarised light, but the crystals available were so small, rare and expensive that a simple projector and receiver would have cost hundreds of pounds.

"Now the complete apparatus can be made in large numbers for a few pounds.

"The range of this secret signalling is limited to a few miles by the curvature of the earth. A lamp on a mast would have a wider range in proportion to the height of the mast.

"I have kept the Admiralty fully advised about this lamp."

Donald Not A Spy

—OFFICIAL

DONALD DUCK and his nephews whose antics on Page 3 delight "Telegraph" readers, are all under the watchful eye of Ministry of Information.

Cinema audiences in England have been laughing at the film "Sea Scouts," which features the famous Donald and his three duckling nephews having the most incredible adventures with the shark and a little boat—and laughing started before the film.

That was because, in addition to the usual film censor's certificate, the film was heralded with the words "Complying with the requirements of the Ministry of Information."

The idea of the bellicose Donald having any possible connection with the war has tickled Britain immensely.

The words have been deleted from the censor's certificate of all future films.

"We have dropped the Ministry of Information bit out now," said the Ministry of Information recently, "because we realised that on certain pictures it would look silly.

"The labels were printed before the war as an emergency measure. It is news to us that Donald Duck has received such a certificate."

Red Air Force Bigger Sham Than Army

THE Allied High Commands have received details of the much-vaunted Russian Red Air Force, which show it to be a bigger sham than the Red Army, says the "Daily Express."

For her 4,000 mile wide continent Russia has a first-line strength of little more than 4,465 machines.

Compared with the latest products of the chief Western European Powers 65 per cent. of the Red machines are obsolete. There are no new-type machines under production.

The Russian second-line machine strength is about 2,000 planes. Lack of advanced training machines is restricting the ouput of trained pilots to 2,000 a year, a useless figure for large-scale war in Europe.

Split In Two

The Western Air Command has a total of 3,240 of the most modern machines allotted to it. The Eastern Command, which covers the Mongolian and Manchurian frontier, has 1,225 first-line machines.

There are two types of Russian warplanes which experts say "compare not unfavourably" with the modern medium-type bombers of other nations. They are called the SB and Ts.Kb.26.

The SB is similar to a British Blenheim and has a maximum speed of about 250 m.p.h. A Blenheim will do 265 m.p.h.

The Ts.Kb.26 has a maximum speed of 245 m.p.h. and a range of 1,000 miles with 3,300 lb. of bombs.

The best Russian fighters are the I.16 (SSF), of which the Western Command has 713 and the Eastern Command 320. These machines are similar to British Gloster Gladiators, which have long been superseded by newer types.

The morale of the pilots is high, they are good fighters. But discipline, as a result of the 1937-8 purges, is low. Every commanding officer of every squadron is watched by a political representative.

Blame for The 'Terrible Defeat' of Poles

IN an address to the Polish Cabinet at Angers, General Sikorski, the Prime Minister and Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Army, outlined his programme.

Two principles would govern Polish action: first a complete rupture with the former system of governing outside the control of public opinion; and, second, the right man in the right place.

General Sikorski said that the "terrible defeat," for the consequences of which the nation was paying in blood, was due to multiple causes, but especially to the fact that national energy was directed into the wrong channels, whether in military, political, or economic spheres.

Nor, he said, must a regime of favouritism be allowed to creep back. The Prime Minister then thanked his colleagues, on whose patience and qualities he felt sure the Polish nation could count.

Trade Delegates Meet In India

NEW DELHI, Feb 12 (Reuter).—Japanese and Indian delegates to the Trade Discussions between these two countries met yesterday.

The discussions are revolving around the existing agreement for cotton piece goods and raw cotton.

Duce's Spanish Volunteers Want to Fight for Finns

Rome.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI, anxious at the westward spread of Bolshevism, is adopting towards the Finns' struggle much the same attitude as he did towards the Spanish civil war.

Officially there are no Italian volunteers going to Finland—but I understand that young officers have been asked privately if they are willing to volunteer, says a correspondent.

Members of Italy's Death's Head battalion—the Arditi, who have taken an oath never to retreat—have offered again to take up the fight against the Soviets which they dropped less than a year ago in Spain.

Italy, struggling as she is to build up her front line strength, has few planes to spare for the Finns. But under a pre-war contract a total of 150 scouts and bombers are now believed to have been delivered to Finland from Italy.

Italian mechanics and test pilots are said to be acting as instructors to the Finnish Air Force. Because of the Soviet blockade, any further deliveries would be made direct by air across Germany.

The Ronie Press to-day makes it clear that Finland is fighting a war in the north for a cause that is very nearly Italy's own.

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Even R.A. Majors Must Go Back To School

The Royal Regiment of Artillery—motto, "Ubique" (everywhere)—has "invaded" one of Britain's most noted spas.

It is the only artillery officers' "school" of its kind in the country so far.

The pupils are an interesting mixture of old Regulars, Territorial Reservists, members of the Officers' Emergency Reserve, and younger blood.

They come in batches for a process of hardening tuning up, and refreshing.

Men of 50 who said good-bye to their guns a quarter of a century ago, have to learn anew. Their grey hairs and their beribboned chests will not excuse them from gun drill, miniature range work and endless lectures.

"Generally, it is a case of the more the ribbons the fewer the pips. Majors and captains of the last war have to start all over again as second-lieutenants.

RAWALPINDI MAN IN NAZI CAMP

Letter To Mother

After the destruction of this armed merchant cruiser Rawalpindi by the German "pocket battleship" Deutschland and another enemy warship among those reported missing was Able Seaman James Spears, of Tower-Street, West Hartlepool.

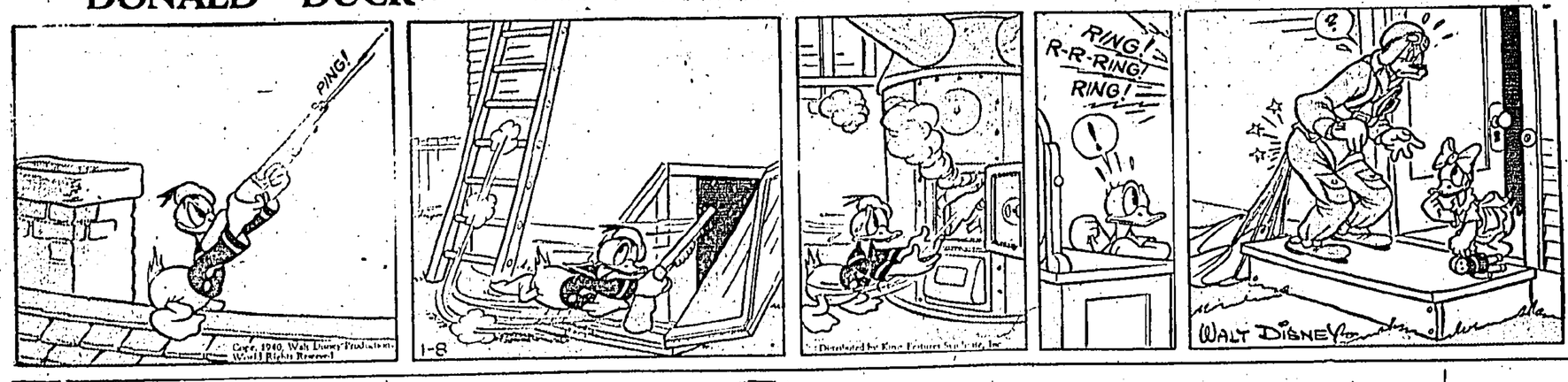
For days his mother heard nothing of him. Then a card arrived saying he was in a German internment camp. Recently, she received a letter in which he said:

"Don't worry about me. I am all right. The people here are treating us well up to now.

"When we sailed in the Rawalpindi we laughed and joked about what we would do if we ran into any German naval craft, never dreaming that it was the last voyage for most of us."

DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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When To Say "I Do"—

By Bride of 17, Groom of 70

"SEVENTEEN isn't too early to marry," says Jean, who lives in a Cardiff suburb. "Seventy isn't too old, either," says Joe, who lives at the opposite end of Cardiff.

Both of them got married next week-end.

Jean Moss, brown-haired and dainty, wed 21-year-old Cyril Sherwood, an electrician.

Joe Osborne's bride was Mrs. Minnie Greeley, aged 59, the widow of his best friend.

Here is the story of their romances, and what they think of age limits:

Jean

"It all began in a small dance-hall. I met Cyril there.

"I was only 14 then. We have been sweethearts since. He is engaged in the manufacture of armatures for dynamos.

"I think people ought to marry young and that we are wise in getting married now. We can be happier being youthful. Mother wondered at first whether I should wait for a year or two, but we see no use in waiting.

"Although my boy is in a reserved occupation he may be called up. If he is he will be happier, knowing he has a home of his own to defend.

"I am already a very good cook."

Jean lives in Ty Fry-road, Rumney.

Joe

Mrs. Greeley spoke for Joe, who had left his home in Ely to work on an adjoining estate.

"Does he think 70 is too old for marriage? Bless you, no. He's very excited about it.

"Mr. Osborne was my husband's best friend. I have known him for 30 years. He used to live next door to us when my husband was alive. He was married, too, but his wife died.

"I have children—my eldest is 35. Mr. Osborne has no children. He used to nurse my youngest on his knee and say playfully, 'I wish you were mine.'

"Well, he has his wish. When you are old you get very lonely. Our marriage will end all that."

THIS GIRL HAD EYES FOR QUEEN

WHILE the Queen talked to Mrs. V. H. Warren, with her dog Bobbin (left) the little girl had eyes for no one but Her Majesty, who later inspected the 1st Bosham Girl Guides.

BLAMELESS LIFE, THEN IN 2 HOURS HE COMMITTED

5 Murders
2 Hold-ups
1 Kidnapping
1 Fire
1 Suicide

Don Cameron, aged 35, was always admired by his neighbours in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, as a hardworking, peace-loving salesman until recently.

In less than two hours he committed five murders, two robberies, kidnapping, and arson, and finally killed himself.

Cameron had a brain storm during a party at his home.

Home On Fire

He shot dead his wife, his three-years-old son, and two friends, then left the house in his car.

He kidnapped a petrol station attendant, killed him, and then went on to another petrol station and seriously wounded three men with a shot-gun.

Cameron rushed back home, set fire to the house, and when the police came committed suicide.

UNIVERSITY LECTURE

An illustrated lecture on Western Australia will be given by Prof. W. Brown to-morrow at 6.30 p.m. in Room K of the University.

U.S. TO CONSTRUCT BIGGEST BOMBERS

NEW "air dreadnoughts" planned for the United States will, it is expected, be twice the size of the U.S. Army's present "flying fortresses."

It is stated in reliable quarters at Washington that army officials have filed with the Budget Bureau a request for about £1,000,000 to build five planes of this type.

It is understood that they are designed to have greater speed and range than any military bombing planes known to exist.

They will, it is reported, weigh about 70,000 pounds without bomb loads, as compared with the 38,000 pounds of the present biggest bombers, and each plane will have four motors of 2,000 horse-power or over, compared with four motors of 1,000 horse-power at present.

The U.S. Army has had under construction for some time a super-fortress of the air, to weigh about 150,000 pounds.

This plane is being hurried to completion in a special hangar of the Douglas Aircraft Company at Santa Monica, California. No other planes of this type will be built until the present one has been thoroughly tested.

Experience gained in the construction of this air giant will be used in building the five new bombers.

A 42 cylinder aeroplane engine, said to be capable of lifting an aeroplane vertically into the air, is being developed secretly in the United States, according to a report presented at the convention of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers at Philadelphia.

The report stated that this new liquid-cooled engine "might possibly be able to sustain a speed of 400 miles an hour."

An important aviation official who attended the convention told the New York Times that the motor, which was a closely guarded Government secret, could be used to equip pursuit planes, as it was designed to withstand terrific speed.

He declared that the engine would be of 4,000 horse-power.

The largest aeroplane engines now in use have only 18 cylinders, although one of 24 cylinders was on view at the New York World's Fair.—*Reuter.*

NEW CURRENCY FOR POLAND

THE Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper Neue Zurcher Zeitung reported that the so-called "Issue Bank" in Cracow has been authorized to issue bank notes in zloty currency. These will be the only legal tender in German occupied Poland.

The rate of exchange of the new notes for the old has not yet been stated.

Secrets of Naval Dramas Revealed

25 SEA HEROES ARE HONOURED

AS COMMANDER Richard Frank Jolly lay mortally wounded on the bridge of the destroyer Mohawk in the Germans' first big air raid—on the Firth of Forth—he said: "Leave me—go and look after the others."

Commander Jolly insisted on seeing his ship back to her berth. Five hours later he died.

The official story of his heroism was given in a "heroes' supplement" of the London Gazette, which announced the posthumous award to him of the medal of the Military Division of the O.B.E.

The Gazette supplement also announced that ten other destroyer commanders and one submarine commander win the D.S.O., while thirteen (including the skippers of a trawler and a drifter) win the D.S.C.

Seven other destroyer commanders receive mentions in despatches.

The supplement does not say for what these men receive their awards. But it is almost certain that the twelve D.S.O.s are for definitely established successful actions against U-boats while on convoy and patrol duties.

The thirteen D.S.C.s are believed to cover minesweeping and convoy actions, as well as probably effective actions against submarines.

Eight of the destroyers mentioned were veterans of the last war.

Besides Commander Jolly, who was forty-three, one other officer and thirteen men of the Mohawk lost their lives in the Firth of Forth air attack.

This is the first official story of the commander who clung to life until his ship was home, as told by the London Gazette recently:—

"Commander Jolly's gallantry consisted of the bringing of his ship into harbour when he himself was mortally wounded.

"H.M.S. Mohawk had been attacked by an enemy aircraft and had suffered a large number of casualties.

Orders Relayed

"Commander Jolly, who was on the bridge, was severely wounded in the stomach, but refused to leave the bridge or allow himself to be attended to; he continued to direct the Mohawk for a thirty-five-mile passage home, which lasted one hour and twenty minutes.

"He was too weak for his orders to be heard, but these were repeated by his wounded navigating officer.

"He was repeatedly invited to go down to receive medical attention, but he refused, saying, 'Leave me—go and look after the others.'

"Having brought his ship into port, Commander Jolly rang off the main engine and immediately collapse. He died five hours after being landed."

The captain of the flotilla reports as follows:—

"The behaviour of the ship's company in the face of the casualties and damage was of a high standard. This is what I should have expected of Commander Jolly's ship. Commander Jolly was an imperturbable commander, of careful judgment, who devoted his energies to perfecting his ship and ship's company for battle. His fearlessness and honesty in counsel were remarkable, and he proved his bravery and devotion to his wounded men when for a long period he manoeuvred his ship despite a mortal wound."

The medal of the O.B.E. is awarded to Petty Officer Harry George Frederick Hazelgrove and Leading Seaman Donald Albert Dodimead, both of the Mohawk.

Others of the Mohawk's crew mentioned in despatches are: Lieutenant Denis Guy Douglas Hall-Wright; Lieutenant Alfred Lee Harper, navigating officer; P.O. Ernest Edward Lethbridge; Acting Electrical Artificer Reginald Thomas Simmons; Sick Berth Attendant Geoffrey Lucas Blomfield; A.B. Thomas Henry Benson; Leading Stoker Leslie Herbert Painter; Boy Richard Owen Ayton.

6d. Sweepstake

The Gazette supplement reveals the names of the first submarine heroes.

The submarine, it is revealed, was the Spearfish. The commander was Lieutenant John Henry Eaden. He is awarded the D.S.O.

As shattering explosions shook the Spearfish's hull and all lights went out, compressed air began to leak, the Spearfish's crew ran 6d. sweepstakes on when and where each new explosion would take place.

The Gazette supplement said that awards to her commander and ten of her crew were for "courage, seamanship, and resolution in bringing their ship safe home after many prolonged and violent attacks which almost put her out of action."

Chief Engine-room Artificer Stanley N. Peel and Petty Officer Alfred P. Blackmore receive the Distinguished Service Medal.

"These two men," says the official record, "were specially commended by their commanding officer for their conduct at the time of the main explosion which damaged the submarine and later when making good defects."

The other members of the crew, awarded mentions in despatches, are:—

Lieutenant Donald Anthony Pirie, executive officer; Mr. Frank Holden Westnutt, warrant engineer; Petty Officer Telegraphist Edward C. Carlton; Engine-room Artificer 3rd class Jack M. Smith; James W. Smith, leading stoker; Alfred Backers, leading stoker; Ernest G. Morey, able seaman.

The full list of the other new awards is as follows:—

D.S.O.

Captain Arthur George Talbot, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Inglefield.

Captain George Hector Creswell, D.S.C., R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S Afridi.

Captain Randolph Stewart Gresham Nicholson, D.S.C., R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Somali.

Captain Charles Saumarez Daniel, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Faulknor.

Captain Richard Stoddart Benson, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Exmouth.

Commander Edward Albert Gibbs, R.N., H.M.S. Fortune.

Commander Stanley Herbert King Spurgeon, R.A.N., H.M.S. Echo.

Lieut.-Commander Eric Langton Woodhall, M.V.O., R.N., H.M.S. Eclipse.

Lieut.-Commander Richard Iwan Alexander Sarell, R.N., H.M.S. Broke.

Lieut.-Commander Phillip Somerville, R.N., H.M.S. Kingston.

Lieutenant George David Archibald Gregory, R.N., H.M. Submarine Sturgeon.

Mentioned In Despatches

Commander Henry Alexander King, R.N., H.M.S. Kashmir.

Commander Philip Norman Walter, R.N., H.M.S. Fame.

Lieut.-Commander John, Malcolm Rodgers, R.N., H.M.S. Whirlwind.

Lieut.-Commander Hugh Gartside-Tippinge, R.N., H.M.S. Volunteer.

Lieut.-Commander Walter John Phipps, R.N., H.M.S. Woolston.

Lieut.-Commander Philip Henry Hadow, R.N., H.M.S. Foxhound.

Lieut.-Commander Richard John Hullis Couch, R.N., H.M.S. Esk.

D.S.C.

Commander Eric Barry Kenyon Stevens, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Imogen.

Commander Basil Jones, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Ivanhoe.

Commander Jack Grant Bickford, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Express.

Commander John William Josselyn, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Intrepid.

Commander Christopher Theodore Jellicoe, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Winchelsea.

Lieutenant-Commander Philip Lionel Saumarez, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Ilex.

Lieutenant - Commander Stephen Hugh Norris, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Firedrake.

Lieutenant-Commander Edward Bernard Tancock, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Forester.

Lieutenant - Commander William Frederick Eyre Hussey, R.N., Commanding officer, H.M.S. Vesper.

Lieutenant - Commander Anthony Frank Burnell-Nugent, R.N., Commanding officer, H.M.S. Walpole.

Lieutenant-Commander the Honourable John Montagu Granville Waldegrave, R.N., Commanding officer, H.M.S. Puffin.

Chief Skipper David Forbes Noble, R.N.R., H.M. trawler Cayton Wyke.

Chief Skipper Harry Leonard Lang, R.D., R.N.R., H.M. drifter Loch Tulla.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Henry Jacques and His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Les Allen (Vocal).—She Came From Alsace Lorraine, Don't Save Your Smiles, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain; Afraid to Dream, The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot, Les Allen (Vocal) with Piano; If The Old River Thames Were The Danube, Whoops We Go Again, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain; I'll Stand By, Les Allen and His Canadian Bachelors with Novelty Accompaniment; Dear Little Boy of Mine, Les Allen (Vocal) with Sidney Torch at the Organ; Wooden Shoes, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Mozart—Concerto in C Minor.—Edwin Fischer (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Lawrance Collingwood.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Compositions of Ravel—Trois beaux oiseaux de Paradis, The Lyons Mixed Chorus conducted by Leon Vietti; Daphnis and Chloe—Symphonique Suite, Walther Straram Orchestra conducted by Philippe Gaubert; Piece En Forme D'Habanera, Joseph Szigeti (Violin) with Nikita de Magaloff at the Piano; Jeux D'Enu, Alfred Cortot (Piano).

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance."—What Shall I Do?, Derek Oldham; Climbing Over Rocky Mountain, Nellie Briercliffe, Nellie Walker and Chorus of Girls; Stop, Ladies, Pray, Nellie Briercliffe, Nellie Walker, Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls; Oh! Is There Not One Maiden Breast, Derek Oldham, Elsie Griffin and Chorus of Girls; Oh, Men of Dark and Dismal Fate, George Baker and Full Chorus; You May Go, for You're at Liberty, Full Company; Now For The Pirates' Lair and When You Had Left Our Pirate Fold, Derek Oldham, Peter Dawson and Dorothy Gill; Away, Away! My Heart's On Fire, Dorothy Gill, Derek Oldham and Peter Dawson; All Is Prepared! and Stay, Fred'ric, Stay! Elsie Griffin and Derek Oldham.

7.00 A Light Spanish Programme.—Seven Popular Spanish Songs, Conchita Supervia (Mezzo Soprano) with Piano Accomp. by Frank Marshall; Puerta De Tierra—Bolero, Aragon—Fantasia, Orquesta Sevilla; Torna Piccina, Tito Schipa (Tenor) with Orchestra; Cordoba, Evocacion, Arthur Rubinstein (Piano); El Adios—Tango, Paciencia—Tango, Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro with Vocal Refrain.

7.30 **London Relay—The News.**

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Saint-Saens—Concerto in G Minor, Op. 22.—Arthur De Greef (Piano) and New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

8.28 Compositions of Sibelius.—Berceuse, Musette, from King Christian Suite, Royal Opera House Orchestra; Stockholm; Humoresque, Henri Temianka (Violin) and the Temianka Chamber Orchestra; Finlandia—Tone Poem, Op. 26, No. 7, Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra; Flickan Kom Ifran Sin Alskilings Mote, Sav, Sav; Susa, Op. 36, No. 4, Marian Anderson (Contralto) with Piano; Karelia Suite—Alla Marcia, Symphony Orchestra cond. by Robert Kajanus.

9.00 Vaughan Williams—Serenade to Music.—Sir Henry Wood conducting the B.B.C. Orchestra, Soloists.—I. Baillie, S. Allen, E. Suddaby, E. Turner, M. Balfour, A. Desmond, M. Brunskill, M. Jarred, H. Nash, W. Widdop, P. Jones, F. Titterton, R. Henderson, R. Easton, H. Williams, and N. Allin.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 **Reginald Foort at the Organ.**—By The Blue Hawaiian Waters—Selection, The Vision of Fuji-San—Selection, A Day's Hunting, At The Hunt Ball.

10.00 Variety with Renato Muller, "Fats" Waller, Tessie O'Shea, "Hutch" and the New Mayfair Orchestra.—Just Because I Lost My Heart To You, To-day I Feel So Happy, Renate Muller (Soprano) with Two Pianos and Violin; Organ—Deep River, Go Down Moses, "Fats" Waller; Two Ton Tessie, Oh! Freddie, Tessie O'Shea; "Evergreen"—Selection, New Mayfair Orchestra; The Moon Remembered But You Forgot "Hutch" (Leslie Hutchinson); "Twenty Million Sweethearts" Selection, New Mayfair Orchestra.

10.30 Dance Music.

11.00 London Relay—"In England Now."—Talks by a Naval Rating from H.M.S. Ajax and Mr. E. G. Johnson, a Jeweller in Wartime.

11.15 Close Down.

LOCAL PROGRAMMES

Over 440 Hours of Transmission During Last Month

Actual hours of transmission by the Hongkong Broadcasting Studio during January totalled 440¼, of which 223¼ were devoted to European programmes (ZBW)—67¼ in the morning and 156 in the evening—and 217 to Chinese programmes (ZEK)—62 in the morning and 155 in the evening.

Apart from recorded programmes, the following items were broadcast over ZBW: Studio "Bee" 1; studio concerts 15; studio talks 13; local relays (including Church services) 6; Daventry relays (including news) 98; Sunday evening epilogues 4; children's concerts 4, and comments on current events from the studio 16.

ZEK broadcast the following items, besides recorded programmes: studio concerts 22; studio talks 16, and children's concerts 9.

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LADY NORTHCOTE VISITS EXHIBITION

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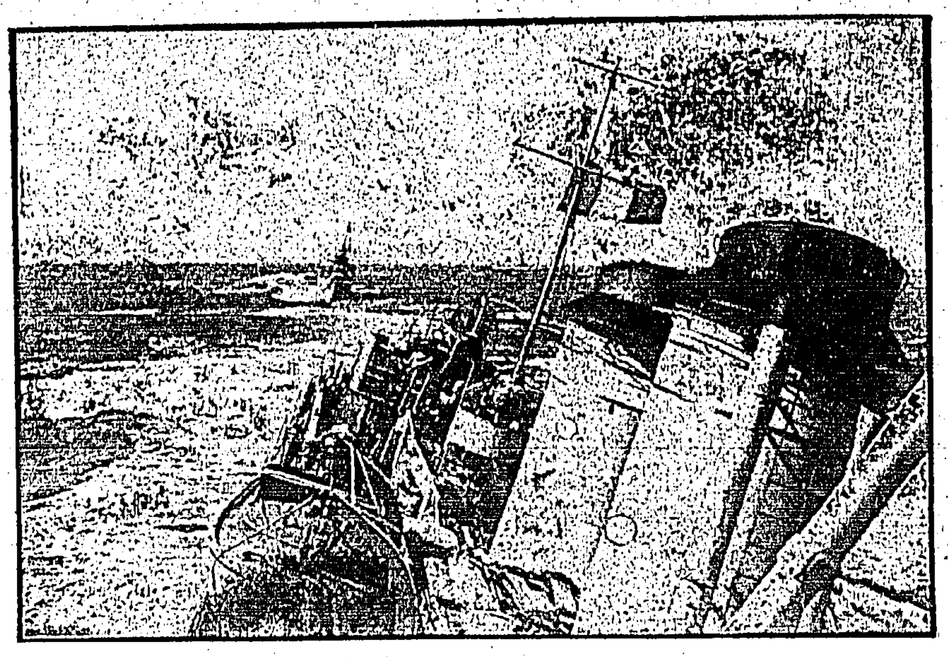
France's Case

Necessarily, much of the recently issued French Yellow Book, dealing with the march of events from Munich to the outbreak of war, is of value for the record rather than for the general reader. But it contains documents of historic importance, presenting familiar facts in greater detail and from a new angle. Its effect is to deepen the sinister impression which those facts had already left on all but the Nazi mind. No room for doubt remains as to where the guilt for plunging Europe into war must lie. War, it is made apparent, was forced on the Allies as the only alternative to ignominious and irretrievable capitulation. Had they shrunk from the fateful challenge they would have had to confess, not merely that "all is lost save honour," but that "all is lost, nor even honour saved." It is difficult to exaggerate the mingled arrogance and duplicity which formed the warp and the woof of German policy. The revelation of that unconscionable blend is alone sufficient to make irrelevant and futile the self-interrogation as to the Allies' war aims in which over-meticulous minds find distraction from the immediate business of winning the war. One might as profitably dispute as to what should be done with a jungle beast about to spring or a cobra ready coiled to strike at its victim.

Britain and France had, and still have, as this Yellow Book shows, only one possibe resort for self-preservation, as well as for honour—to confront and end the imminent peril. Before they were driven to that conclusion, the Allies exhausted every effort to reach a peaceful solution which would not be a mere postponement of the clash, and a betrayal of the tranquillity and liberty of Europe. When they attempted to reach a reasonable accommodation, they were cheated and then flouted. Desire for conciliation was affected only as a cloak to the fulfilment of ulterior designs, and not at all as a token of their abandonment, and the cloak was thrown off as soon as its deceptive purpose had been served. Hitler was resolved on war. Of the evidence given to the world by France, not the least interesting is the provision of the French Ambassador in Berlin as early as May last of the possibility of Hitler making a pact with Soviet Russia for the partitioning of Poland. Assuredly the vivid character-sketch of Hitler, written by M. Francois-Poncet in October, 1938, helps to explain much that is most perplexing in Nazi policy.

The German Chancellor is described as "capable of the worst frenzies, the wildest exaltations and the most delirious exhibitions," at which times "the upsets nations, continents, geography and history like a demiurge in madness." The likeness fits in with the amazing features of that mountain fastness at Berchtesgaden which Hitler has made his home.



Here are two French destroyers on patrol. The French Navy is doing its full share of the work of keeping the seas clear for Allied commerce

At Sea With The FRENCH NAVY

By William Forrest

News Chronicle Special Correspondent.

THE time was six o'clock in the morning and the place a seaport somewhere in the direction of Land's End. In the sailors' bar where I was having an early cup of coffee there were notices on the wall which said:

"Drinks Must Be Paid *Immediately*"

"No Noise Please.

By Order It is Strictly Forbidden to Sing."

I sometimes sing in the morning (who dosen't), but that morning, no. I was far too excited and nervous. For I was about to make my first trip in a submarine.

Half an hour later the commander, a little man with his hat set at the Beauty angle, welcomed us aboard. And "Bon jour, monsieur" was what he said.

You see, although these notices I have quoted were really written in English (and I am still wondering why) the submarine was French and the Land's End was Finisterre.

It was all very exciting: to stand on the conning tower as we sailed out into the Bay of Biscay; to dive and have lunch on the sea-bed, because it is much steadier down there; to stalk an "enemy" sloop and launch a torpedo against her; and to have depth charges dropped against us in return.

But it was only a mock encounter, and, except for the tyro perhaps, how much tamer than the real thing. So, at a time when the real thing is happening daily—as it might very well have happened to us—there is no point in a long and detailed account of our cruise. Only a few impressions.

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FIRST, the camaraderie aboard. That, I suppose, is inevitable in a submarine. It is not only the ever-present danger that draws everyone, officers and men, together, but the limitations of space compel them to be good mixers. There is no quarter-deck in a submarine.

Ours was one of the smaller class, only 600 tons, with a complement of three officers and 40 men—to say nothing of the dog, who answered to the name of Tout Petit. Everyone aboard was "tu" to the commander. Food (and such food!) was the same for officers and men alike. And the wine—who could wish for better than the *vin de l'intendance* of the French Marine? The grog, of course, goes without saying.

With all this camaraderie goes a perfect discipline. When the warning cry, "Nous allons plonger," passed round the ship every man sprang to his appointed station. Even the steward who was setting the table for lunch dropped the cutlery and ran aft to stand by one of the innumerable speaking-tubes.

I remember, as we dived, looking round at the bewildering mass of delicate machinery and thanking Providence that this vessel in which I was making my first ocean descent was not one of the chain-belt productions which Germany is said to be turning out at the rate of two a week. And as I watched the men, everyone an expert, manipulating their machines I could appreciate the force of Mr. Churchill's comment on the "chain-belt crews" which Germany must find for the U-boat fleet.

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BUT make no mistake: the French Marine, for all its justifiable confidence, is not scoffing at the enemy. Neither, for that matter, is Mr. Churchill; in the same speech he warned us against exaggerated optimism. Here in France, ashore and afloat, I have heard the same warning note as that which was sounded the other day by M. Paul Reynaud: "Let us beware of underestimating the strength of our enemy. The democracies will triumph, but only at the price of sacrifices."

German surface raiders off the seas. The British Fleet has made an excellent beginning against the Admiral Graf Spee, but for this sort of work a combination of speed, power and great range of action is essential. And it is here, surely, that the French Fleet excels.

Britain is building the ships (e.g., the King George V. class) that can cope with the Nazi raiders. France has already built them, e.g., the Dunkerque and the Strasbourg.

In England we are too prone to think that French sea power ended with Trafalgar and that the contribution of our Ally to the war is limited to her magnificent Army and Air Force. A glance at the map should be sufficient to correct that view. The French have the second greatest Empire in the world and such an Empire could not survive without a powerful fleet.

Carnot, who organised the victorious armies of the French Revolution, had his counterpart in Jean Bon Saint-Andre, who organised the navy which assured the freedom of France's maritime communications. In these same waters off Finisterre, where our submarine disported, a French flotilla in 1794 joined battle with the British and, although defeated, held the passage open for a great convoy of wheat from America.

To-day, with the co-operation of the British, the French Fleet is fulfilling the same essential service.

In the calm waters of a Breton inlet I transhipped from the submarine to the sloop. The submarine commander swore (and that's the right word) that I had no business to board the sloop since he had already sent her to the bottom with his unerring torpedo. The sloop commander swore (equally) that I had no right to come aboard since he had already blown the submarine and every man jack aboard to blazes with his unfailing depth charges.

By this time no doubt the two commanders have argued it out in the bar at——and I only hope they saw that notice in English which begs "No Noise Please." (But even if they did, what matter? In France, as in Britain, I have discovered "sailors don't care.")

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AS the sloop headed south a convoy with escorts passed to starboard, nearing journey's end. The commander was prompted to tell me the story of the luckiest ship in the French Marine—the destroyer Sirocco.

The Sirocco had just sunk her first U-boat, and everyone aboard was feeling cock-a-hoop. So, in order to give the other destroyers in the escort their chance of a kill, the Sirocco was sent away to the rear of the convoy.

But, towards the end of the day, up came another U-boat, skulking in the wake of the convoy and waiting for the moment to strike. The Sirocco lay behind the U-boat, hidden by the gathering dusk. But to the look-out on the Sirocco the U-boat was clearly visible, with her silhouette against the setting sun—and the guns of the destroyer made short work of the raider.

"I was in command of that escort," said the sloop commander, "and it was I who ordered the Sirocco to the rear."

He spoke with evident feeling.

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WHEN Dr. Goebbels gets tired of trying to divide the Allies by telling the French troops that the British are leaving all the fighting to them, he may be tempted to vary the manoeuvre by telling the British Navy that all the fighting in this war is being done at sea and by the British alone. "France is prepared to fight to the last British bluejacket," etc., etc.

Poor Dr. Goebbels! If he ever tries that line of talk, he will be telling it to the marines.

Do You Know The Next Medal To The V.C.?

The medal ranking next after the V.C. is a medal that hardly anybody has heard about—the Empire Gallantry Medal.

The official ranking of this medal was made known last week.

Its full official title is the Medal of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, but it is to be known generally as the Empire Gallantry Medal, and those who win it will put the initials E.G.M. after their name.

Only a few men have won it so far, and it is almost unknown even to members of the services.

The standard of gallantry required to win it is almost as high as that for the V.C., but, unlike the Cross, it may be won by civilians.

So far, however, no man outside the services has qualified for it, as civilians are rarely in circumstances where they can show gallantry in the face of the enemy.

A big air raid on the civil population might, however, provide an occasion for an air raid warden or a civil policeman to qualify.

Like the V.C., the E.G.M. can be awarded to a man who has been killed in action. This applies to no other decoration.

So far, only one instance of this has occurred. The late Commander F. R. Jolly, R.N., of the destroyer Mohawk, was awarded the E.G.M. after his death, but it was not generally realized that it was an unusually high honour because it was gazetted as "Medal of the Military Division of the O.B.E.," and few people outside the Chancery of the Order knew the importance of the honour.

It has been officially decided that in awarding naval decorations the Order of the British Empire shall be regarded as next in importance to the Order of the Bath. It will only be awarded for service of high merit.

When certain merchant navy captains were recently made officers of the order, the intention, officially, was to mark the fact that their conduct was of outstanding bravery.

India's Big Part In War Effort

LONDON, Feb. 12, (Reuter).—All parties in Parliament are carefully studying not only war contributions from the self-governing Dominions but those of India and the Colonies, learns "Reuter's" Lobby Correspondent.

The facts placed before Members of Parliament show that, in addition to Indian troops in France, large numbers are serving not only in India but elsewhere, and that volunteers have besieged recruiting offices in India in such numbers that the Viceroy has had to appeal for patience among those anxious to don uniforms.

Munitions and equipment are being manufactured in India not only for the Indian Army but for the general Allied cause.

Indian Navy's Work

Working in co-operation with the Royal Navy, the Royal Indian Navy is engaged in patrolling the Indian seas. The rapidly growing Indian Air Force has been able to assist the Royal Air Force in its multifarious duties.

India's economic contribution to the war effort is especially stressed by Members of Parliament, as India is supplying His Majesty's Government with large quantities of ammunition, made in Indian Ordnance factories, army over-coats, blankets, khaki uniforms, boots and other leather equipment.

Valuable Contribution

India has also contracted to supply 712,000,000 sandbags in addition to 200,000,000 ordered for air raids precautions.

The total involved is greater than the number supplied during the whole of the last war.

India has also supplied 30,000,000 yards of hessian for war purposes.

India's supplies of manganese and other ores have assisted munition factories to manufacture large quantities of Indian high grade mica, which goes into aeroplane construction, and large Indian exports of rubber, cotton wool, hides, skins, lac, hemp, timber, ground-nuts and linseed have all assisted in the essential demands of wartime.

No Third Term For Roosevelt?

Ambassador To London May Seek Nomination

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—In a front page article in the "World-Telegram," Mr. J. Farley, the Postmaster General, is represented as believing that President Roosevelt does not intend to re-run for the Presidency.

A Staff Writer, George Morris, reports that Mr. Farley informed President Roosevelt that he strongly opposed a third term and received a reply from the President which was regarded as an "assurance" that he would not be a candidate.

Kennedy For President?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BOSTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—The "Boston Post" Joseph Kennedy, United States Ambassador to London, "may enter the contest" for democratic presidential nomination.

The paper said his friends have brought "powerful pressure" to bear in an effort to persuade him to become a candidate.

Roosevelt Assailed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—In a hundred Lincoln Day speeches in various parts of the country to-day the Republican Party assailed President Roosevelt and the New Deal.

Thomas E. Dewey, Manhattan's District Attorney and himself a Republican presidential nominee, in a speech at the Civil Auditorium at Portland, Oregon, told a packed audience that under the New Deal the American productive plant and equipment has been "running down at heel," at the rate of a thousand million dollars a year.

Quoting Abraham Lincoln, Mr. Dewey said: "The House is divided against itself and cannot stand."

In his speech at Omaha, Nebraska, former Republican President Herbert Hoover asserted that unemployment was the outstanding problem in the United States.

Rejecting the theory that unemployment was a chronic disease Mr. Hoover said that the solution of the problem lay simply in the transformation of Government spending to national thrift, which would turn away class conflict and disunity and, in addition, assure the United States being kept out of wars.

NAZIS ENLIST THE POTATO

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The humble potato is the latest raw material to be extensively used in Germany's lightning drive.

The number of things Germans now claim that they will be able to make from the potato is really surprising.

Forty different dyes and colourings alone can be made, these being used for colouring materials of various kinds.

Vinegar, starch and sugar are also being made, and the potato is being used in the making of chocolates and pastries.

Finally, the potato is used to make beer and, from all evidence available, German beer to-day seems almost all potatoes.

Tributes To Tweedsmuir

Canadians Sense Personal Loss

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—In a special broadcast from the B.B.C. the Hon. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner for Canada in the United Kingdom, said that the death of Lord Tweedsmuir brings a deep sense of personal bereavement. "Some of us," he said, "mourn the loss of an old and valued friend.

Lord Tweedsmuir's career was a perfect background to the function he was to perform in his crowning years.

Not only in the sphere of letters but in public administration, in the Army, in business and in Parliament, he played his full part, he continued.

He applied all these qualities to the practical duties of his high office.

Canada was like an open book before him and he turned over its pages with vivid and eager interest and gave his own interpretation of what he saw.

Canada mourns the loss of her Governor-General, concluded the Hon. Vincent Massey, but she will always be grateful for the presence in her midst of one who understood her so well and who so fully won her affections.

U.S. Press Tribute

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The American Press pays a warm tribute to Lord Tweedsmuir. It adds that the American public's regret expresses no formality but sincere sympathy.

President Roosevelt in a message states, "Mrs. Roosevelt and I recall with the greatest pleasure our meeting with Lord Tweedsmuir and express our deepest regret at his death."

Royal Sympathy

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The King and Queen have sent a message of condolence to Lady Tweedsmuir.

Ashes For Scotland

OTTAWA, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—It is understood that Lord Tweedsmuir's body will be cremated and the ashes sent to the United Kingdom.

In response to a message from the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, informing him of Lord Tweedsmuir's death, His Majesty the King has sent the following telegram:

"I thank you for your kind telegram on the very sad occasion of the death of Lord Tweedsmuir while holding the office of my representative in Canada.

"I share the grief which I know will be felt throughout the Dominion whose welfare he had so much at heart, and to whose service he devoted himself in the face of ill-health with unfailing energy and courage."

S. Africa's Condolence

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The Union Government has asked the accredited representative of South Africa in Canada to convey to the Canadian Government on behalf of General Smuts an expression of the most sincere sympathy in the grievous loss they have sustained by the death of Lord Tweedsmuir.

Canada Mourns

MONTREAL, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Flags were flown at half mast throughout Canada to-day as the Dominion entered into seven days of public mourning for the death of Lord Tweedsmuir.

Political warfare has subsided for the time being, and most of the social events have been cancelled.

Officers of the Canadian Grenadier Guards are keeping watch over the body which lies in a private chapel.

Units of the Militia, Navy and Air Force will line the route to-morrow when the remains will be conveyed to the station for removal by train to Ottawa.

SPLENDID GIFT FROM BAHAMAS

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Malcolm MacDonald has accepted, on behalf of the British Government, £20,000 which the Legislature of the Bahamas has given as a donation towards Imperial Defence.

His Excellency the Hon. Sir Charles Dundas, Governor of the Bahamas, has been asked to convey the British Government's appreciation of the gift to the Legislature and people of the Bahamas.

Japan Wants A Revision

TOKYO, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is announced that the Japanese Government has requested the Netherlands Government to open conversations with the view to revision of the Treaty of Arbitration, Conciliation and Judicial Settlement.

Japan has taken steps to terminate the agreement on August 11 owing to the "necessity of making technical adjustments," but earnestly desires a revision and conclusion of the new treaty before the present treaty is invalidated.

It is emphasised that Japan's denunciation of the Treaty has no political move.

Hitler Sends Congratulations

TOKYO, Feb. 12 (UP).—Hitler has sent a message to Emperor Hirohito expressing congratulations on the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire and the wish for further prosperity of the Japanese Imperial Household.

Obituary

Noted Army Figure

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Major-General Sir John Moore, the famous Army Veterinary Surgeon.

Born in 1864, Sir John served at Dongola in 1896, winning a medal as well as the Khedive's Medal. He also served in the South African War, 1899-1900, when he was mentioned in despatches and won the Queen's medal (three clasps). He was promoted Veterinary Major.

Becoming a Lieutenant-Colonel in 1906 and Colonel in 1913, he served throughout the European War in France and Flanders as Director of Veterinary Services of the B.E.F. He was again mentioned in despatches and, as a result of his services, was created C.B. and K.C.M.G. in 1919, having been promoted Major-General in 1918 and made an Officer of the Legion of Honour.

After the war, he became Director of the Veterinary Services in India, holding the post from 1919 to 1921. He was Col. Comndt. of the R.A.V.C. from 1932 to 1934.

In 1903, he married Adelaide Mary, daughter of the late Benjamin Murphy, of Prior Park, Clonmel. They have three daughters.

FINNISH CITY WIPED OUT BY RED ARTILLERY

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sometime. The damage was repaired later.

Russians Tiring?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 12 (UP).—For the first time in many days the Russians did not open up their night bombardment on Viborg to-night with their 25-mile range guns.

They bombarded Viborg only with two series of twenty shells each which resulted in the death of one person.

The extent of the damage is not known, but it is noteworthy that the range of the guns precludes a large charge of explosives.

Soviet planes raided Viborg at 9 p.m. yesterday and there were two air raid alarms, one at noon and another at mid-night to-day.

There has been no bombing or long range shelling up to darkness to-day.

Purchasers Cease Work

ROME, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The activities of various foreign purchasing committees in Italy, including the British, have been suspended and may not be resumed for some months, it is learned in a reliable quarter.

These committees have been in almost constant session since the outbreak of war. The staffs of the commercial sections of the Embassies of the countries concerned have been doubled, and even trebled, in connection with his work.

The question has been asked whether the visit of Dr. Clodius, the German economic expert, is connected in any way with the suspension. Dr. Clodius expects to remain in Rome for another week.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

Soon after opening this morning the market got into a good stride and remained active throughout the day. A broad spread over the whole list was embraced in the transactions reported, and the tone at the close is distinctly steady.

Buyers

H.K. Bank $1,390
Canton Ins. $212½
Union Ins. $460
Fire Ins. $180
Douglases $100
Providents $4.65
Hotels $5.60
Lands $35½
Tramways $18¼
Yaumati Ferries $24¾
China Lights (Old) $7.65
China Lights (New) $4¾
Electrics $57
Cements $19.15
Ropes $5.70
Dairy Farms (Old) $21.80
Dairy Farms (New) $21
Watsons $9.40
Entertainments $7

Sellers

Providents $4.80
Tramways $18.45
China Lights (New) $5
Cements $19¼

Sales

H.K. Bank $1,402½
Union Ins. $470
Wharves $102
Docks $22.35/.50
Providents $4¾
Hotels $5.70
Lands $36
Tramways $18.30/.40
Star Ferries $68½
Yaumati Ferries $24¾/25.
China Lights (Old) $7.80
China Lights (New) $4¾
Macao Electrics $20½
Cements $19.50/.20
Dairy Farms (New) $21

YANGTSE OPENING

SHANGHAI, Feb. 12 (UP).—Wang Ching-wei's "China News Agency" reports that the Yangtse River is expected to be re-opened on March 1.

U.S. Embargo Possibilities

U.S. Senate Committee Said Wavering

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—A survey shows that the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee is increasingly against an embargo on Japan. Informed quarters predict that the question will be postponed or tabled after an extensive committee debate.

Consideration of several bills will egin on Wednesday after the Senate has voted on the Finnish Loan Bill and that to permit the $20,000,000 loan to China.

Twenty-three are on the committee, of which 12, including Senator Connally, are against an embargo, although some would switch quickly if Japan unnecessarily affronted them. Seven from the remainder, including Senator Pittman, are in favour of reprisals, while four, including Senator Vandenberg, are undecided on the question.

Senator Sherinan Minton says that the proposal will be enacted on a safe margin, while Senator Van Nuys, who is opposed to the measure, conceded its passage but predicted 30 votes against Senator Elbert Thomas who had stated, "I am opposed to picking out a single nation in applying an embargo, which would drive Japan into the arms of Russia and leave Russia free to do whatever she wants in Europe."

Even opponents of the measure believe that the President does not need it since he has sufficient powers through tariff control to impose penalties if it seems desirable.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A letter to President Roosevelt signed by 50 educators, clergymen and public officials, including the President's mother, urging the President to remove Japan from the most favoured nation status has been made public.

The letter urges the cessation of American participation in Japan's aggression and the application of penalties provided in the Tariff Act 1930 against Japan's exports.

The application of such penalties would make Japan feel the moral condemnation of the American people in her illegal acts which do not justify the invasion of China.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Senator George W. Norris, at an interview, called for moral embargoes against Japan and Russia which he termed as barbarous countries. He said it would be perfectly justifiable to stop buying their goods or selling them any American goods as done by individual citizens or groups. Nobody could claim that it would constitute an unfriendly act because no act of the Government would be involved.

The Senator further said he would oppose legislation authorising the President to impose embargoes, on the ground that it might tend to draw the United States towards war, but he said there can be no complaint against moral embargoes.

Germans Are Informed

News Of Welles' Visit Permitted In Berlin

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—News of the proposed journey of Mr. Sumner Welles, the U.S. Under Secretary of State, to Europe was allowed to appear in the German Press for the first time this morning.

In all papers reaching Holland, the news is given in a single paragraph of five lines, well-hidden and without comment.

German propagandists have apparently waited to see how the rest of the world reacts before reacting themselves.

Hitler is now back in the Chancellery from somewhere in Germany. It is reported that he has been examining the situation, but he has apparently experienced difficulty in making up his mind.

British Comment

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt and the impending trip of Mr. Sumner Welles to Rome, Berlin, Paris and London were the subjects of comment in the British Press to-day.

The "Times" says that President Roosevelt must clearly feel the need to obtain a view of the whole situation from one representative rather than from individual ambassadors.

The paper welcomes the visit to London and Paris, and says that everything possible should be done for the mission as the Allies are satisfied that an impartial study is more valuable to their cause than any advocacy.

The "Manchester Guardian" feels that there is no reason for believing that President Roosevelt is angling for mediation, while the "News Chronicle" says that it is highly desirable that neutral countries should be planning and thinking ahead.

If President Roosevelt can marshal the neutral world for a constructive effort even while the guns are roaring, he will be doing vital work for civilisation, the paper concludes.

Chinese Prisoners For Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 12 (UP).—The Japanese War Minister has informed the Diet that the Army authorities are considering bringing Chinese prisoners of war to Japan in order to fill the demand for labour in certain unspecified types of work.

Details Of Trade Pact

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A White Paper on the Anglo-Turkish Trade Agreement made in London on February 3 was issued to-day.

The agreement comes into force on February 10, will remain in force in the first place until March 3, 1941, and will continue to remain in force subsequently for successive periods of one year unless terminated by either government at three months' notice.

The agreement provides that all United Kingdom exports to Turkey and all Turkish exports to the United Kingdom will be subject to compensation transactions.

The value of goods exported in compensation to Turkey shall not exceed 80 per cent. of the value of goods exported in compensation from Turkey.

Latvia's Decision

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The decision of the Latvian Government to send a trade mission to London shortly is welcomed by the British authorities who have been desirous of adding the three Baltic states to the list of neutral nations with whom Britain is conducting special conversations to enlarge war-time trade.

Latvia now becomes the first of these countries to send a trade mission to London.

Having regard to the difficult position in which these countries find themselves as between Germany and Russia, the Latvian Government's decision is regarded as most encouraging.

New Russo-German Pact

Nazis Help To Put Up Factories

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A new German trade agreement providing for a total turnover of 1,000,000,000 marks was signed in Moscow during the week-end, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraaf."

The correspondent learns that German industry will erect a whole series of factories in Russia in exchange for deliveries of raw materials and food-stuffs.

The factories will include works for large scale production of artificial rubber.

It is believed that goods which Russia will send to Germany will include large quantities of grain, ore, and petroleum.

Neutral observers are of the opinion that transport difficulties may form a great obstacle to the fulfilment of the agreement.

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is placed on the words "at the moment."

Great attention is being paid in Berlin to Soviet Russia's need for prestige.

It is thought that if the constantly renewed Soviet attacks on the Karelian Isthmus should achieve even moderate success, then the question of German mediation ought for the first time to become reality.

The allegation in the German official "Diplomatiche Korrespondenz" that the Western Powers do not wish "in any event to end the war in the north" is taken by the "Basler Nachrishten" as one of the many signs that Germany would be relieved if peace were restored to Finland.

Confidence In M. Daladier

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The French press agrees that the vote of confidence in the Government, passed by the Chamber of Deputies on Saturday, is a complete answer to Nazi efforts to split French unity.

"Le Matin" says that the vote was more than a personal success for M. Daladier. It was also proof that the Chamber of Deputies is worthy by the high level of the debate and patriotic enthusiasm of the final vote.

MISS HO TUNG VICTIMISED

Miss Ho Tung, daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung, was the victim of a particularly daring theft last night, as a result of which, in addition to losing an overcoat and a jersey, valued at $58, a window of her Hillman car was smashed.

Miss Ho Tung parked the car near the Alhambra Theatre, Kowloon, shortly before the 5.10 p.m. programme commenced.

During her absence an unknown person smashed a brick through the window and extracted the overcoat and jersey.

Hecht On Grand Larceny Charge

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—Rudolph Hecht, who has instituted a million dollar suit against the Universal Trading Corporation, has been arrested on a home indictment, charging him in a grand larceny suit pending since 1935. Details of the suit have not been revealed, but the Attorney General's office says that the charge has arisen from stock-promoting activities.

The Pennsylvania authorities have also issued a warrant for the arrest of Hecht, but no details are revealed.

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$60,000 Offer For Stable Refused

It was learned yesterday that an offer of over half a lakh of dollars had been made by a wealthy Chinese for the entire stable, including entries for the 1940 Annual Race Meeting, of one of Hongkong's best known owners and one whose colours had been carried to victory on three occasions in the Hongkong Derby.

Mr. L. Dunbar, to whom the offer was made, admitted that a wealthy Chinese had offered him $60,000 for his entire stable, to be delivered before the Annual Race Meeting, but due to the fact that entries had already been made under his colours, he was forced to decline the offer.

Mr. Dunbar said he was never anxious to sell his stable.

Among Mr. Dunbar's New Griffins are Mount Hope Bay and Dupont Bay, two very promising candidates for the Hongkong Derby.

EASTERN TROUNCE SAIGON

Tempers Fray During Moments Of Excitement

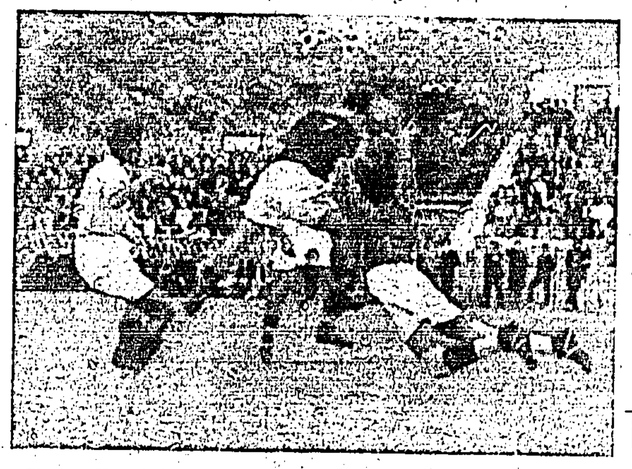
VISITORS UNABLE TO HOLD VIRILE ATTACK

(By "Rex")

EASTERN GAINED a decisive victory over Saigon at Caroline Hill yesterday, beating them by five goals to one, in a very fast, exciting encounter, in which Eastern matched Saigon in speed, and ball control, but surpassed them in scoring ability.

It was most decidedly the best match of the series, and there was no question, as there was in the first two encounters, of the better team losing.

There were incidents galore which met with the disapproval of the crowd. One in particular was when Pacini; Saigon centre-half and Captain, struck Cheung Kam-hoi, Eastern inside-right, for a foul by the latter in the Saigon area, and the crowd became ominious.



Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern inside-right) scoring with his head against Saigon yesterday. Ngay, Saigon goalie, making an abortive but gallant effort to save, while Long, Saigon left back, looks on anxiously.—Mee Cheung.

Saigon fielded four reserves and made a change in their forward line-up. Ngay took over the custody of the goal, Tai was injured in the last match. Long came in at left-back for Cui, who had pulled a muscle in the match against Hongkong. Nga relieved Bach at left-half, Tien occupied Dai's place at inside-right, and Quyen filled the inside-left position.

Eastern had one change from their original line-up, Cheng Ying-kuen substituted for Kong Seng-keng, their star right back, who did not put in an appearance.

SAIGON PEN-SKETCHES

NGAY played an unobtrusive game in goal. He lacked the dash and recklessness of Tai and preferred to remain in his goal area and wait for the ball rather than intercept. On two occasions, had he the initiative to rush forward, he would have prevented goals scored against him.

Corea played his usual fine game, but he closed his eyes to the fact that he had an exceptionally fast winger to contend with, while he did not have the required support from Long and Pacini who both found a handful in the Eastern right flank.

Pacini concentrated his entire attention to watching Tsui and played an exceptionally good stopper game. He was, however, very often torn between aiding his left flank at the same time fulfilling his duty. Buu gave another wonderful display at right-half. He was the most consistent of the team, parrying and lunging at every precipitate movement of Eastern's defence. Nga was the weak link in Saigon's Maginot line and Eastern's right flank pierced Saigon's left half of the field almost at will.

ATTACK LACKED INITIATIVE

SAIGON'S forward line was again guilty of bad shooting. They played a more open game, their passings had the same degree of accuracy, but their efforts at goal were lamentable. Tot was not as good as previously: Tien played his best, and was very unfortunate to have several of his drives blocked by Eastern defenders. He combined excellently with Guichard on the right-wing who also played his best game. Guichard always got the better of Lo, at left-half, but his perfect centres often went begging. He caused Lau no end of worry with his hard drives. He switched for some time with Tien, but, finding the change ineffective went back to his original position. Quyen was a trier all through, but was, as with Hon, starved of the ball. Had more advantage been taken of his deceptive positioning in the Eastern goal area, Saigon might have scored a few more goals. Hon was exceedingly fast, but was starved.

EASTERN PEN-SKETCHES

LAU HIN-HON played an unusual cool game in goal for Eastern. He placed great reliance on his back pair and was not let down. His knowledge of Saigon's forward failing may have contributed to the fine performance he gave.

Tsang Chung-wan was a tower of strength at left back and covered well, lending valuable support to Lo at left-half. Cheng Ying-kuen played a sound game to partner well with Tsang.

Hsu King-seng again came in for special mention. He easily overshadowed his own and the opposition's players to turn out a sparkling performance. He gave no rope to the Saigon attack and provided plenty of scope for his forwards, instigating most of the moves that reaped goals for Eastern. Lau Tse-chan had a small measure of success. His speed stood him in good stead and enabled him to harass and spoil. His distribution was below par as was Lo Wai-kuen's who was, incidentally, the weakest of the half-back line. Lo failed to keep in check Saigon right flank. He did some spoiling work but nothing that was worth mentioning.

ATTACK ATTAIN PEAK

EASTERN forward line were at the peak of their form. Tsui Ah-fai was too well marked to be of much use. Cheung Kam-hoi, who has taken vast strides in his advancement for contending for premier honours in his department, forced himself on everyone's notice. Despite scoring four out of five goals for Eastern he gave a magnificent performance at inside-right. He partnered excellently with Chung Yung-sum to form the more dangerous flank. Hau Ching-to gave another of his remarkable exhibitions at left-wing. His marvellous versatility to centre and score goals, as he pleased, was seen to good effect. He did not require the support of Wu Gay-tsang, and pierced Saigon's defence in a series of tricky and fast runs. He often baffled Corea. Wu picked up in the latter stages of the game and did some fine work. He lacked tactics, but stolidly plied Tsui with passes even knowing the latter was being well marked.

BALL BY BALL ACCOUNT

EASTERN attacked from the outset, but was checked by Saigon's halves. Saigon attacked but the ball was soon back in Saigon's area; Tsui tapped the ball a sight too hard, Hau running in too late for Ngay to collect. Hsu dispossessed Buu and broke through to send in a hard drive that skimmed the up-right.

The ball swung from one end to the other with great rapidity, Eastern's finish was the better. Nga and Buu managed to press the Eastern in their own half for some time. Cheung received from Lau and ran through attended by Buu, who then miskicked for Cheung to drive, the ball sailing over the bar with inches to spare.

Saigon now pressed in attack and Tien came near with a nice drive which Lau did well to save. Tien changed with Guichard, but the change not proving effective, they rechanged. Buu lobbed the ball to Tot who, facing the Eastern goal, spun round and shot but Lau showed marvellous anticipation to clear well.

HAU'S ACHIEVEMENT

EASTERN returned to the attack through Chung who passed to Cheung for the latter to lob over Corea, Hau dashed in too late. Chung tricked Long and shot weakly across the goalmouth for Hau to dash into the goal missing the ball by inches.

Pacini was forced to concede a corner when hard pressed by Cheung. Cheung to Chung and the latter centred for Hau to dash in this time successfully finding the net with a nice hook shot.

Cheung centred in again and Hau, after tricking two defenders shot over the bar. Seconds later, Cheung netted Eastern's second goal from just outside the Saigon penalty area, catching Ngay completely by surprise, Ngay having his eye on Hau who was dancing around the area.

The second half found Eastern almost complete masters of the situation both in defence and attack. Cheung sent in a pile driver which Ngay saved nicely. Cheung again tested Ngay and in the scramble Chung was hurt and left the field. Hau eluded Corea to centre to Cheung who dashed in to head past Ngay. Chung returned soon after.

Guichard tried from within the penalty area, but Lau covered the shot well. Hsu sent in a nice centre to Tsui, but Ngay beat Tsui to the ball and cleared.

Eastern again attacked and while Pacini was in the act of clearing Cheung went full tilt at him. Pacini remonstrated with Cheung then struck him, the referee separated them and the game resumed its normal course.

Tot drove an angle shot which Lau just managed to punch out, the ball passing behind Guichard who had rushed in. Tsang saved an almost certain goal when he kicked clear from almost the goal line with Lau badly positioned. Ngay partially cleared a shot from Tsang and, before he had time to recover Wu lobbed the ball in the goalmouth.

SAIGON'S SOLE GOAL

SAIGON broke away through Guichard who made a fine solo effort down the right wing to centre, Hon rushed in and put the ball past Lau with an unstoppable drive from five yards.

Saigon seemed to tire and Eastern forced them on the defensive. Cheung passed to Wu who slipped the ball to Hau. Hau after tricking Corea sent in a powerful drive which went just out. Tsang sent a long pass to Hau who broke through on his own his parting drive striking the cross bar and bounding into play for Cheung to meet it on the rebound and drive past Ngay. Hau received from Hsu to trick Corea into a false position. He flipped the ball past him and sped down the wing. He passed back to Hsu who lobbed the ball into the Saigon goalmouth for Cheung to dash in and head past Ngay.

Saigon:—Ngay; Corea, Long; Buu, Pacini, Nga; Guichard, Tien, Tot, Quyen and Hon.

Eastern:—Lau Hin-hon; Cheng Ying-kuen, Tsang Chung-wan; Lau Tse-chan, Hsu King-seng, Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Cheung Kam-hoi, Tsui Ah-fai, Wu Gay-tsang and Hau Ching-to.

Cricket Notes To-morrow

"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments will appear in to-morrow's issue.

SOCCER DIRECTORS SUSPENDED

Crystal Pal. Subject Of F.A. Inquiry

LONDON. — THREE DIRECTORS on the present board of Crystal Palace F.C. and two former directors have been suspended by a joint commission of the Football Association and the Football League, which held an inquiry on December 11 in London.

Mr. E. T. Truett, the present chairman, and Mr R. Cornell, another member of the current board, have each been suspended for 12 months, and Mr. R. H. E. Blaxill has been suspended until the end of the season.

The son of the chairman, Mr. C. E. Truett, who retired some time ago from the board, and Mr. R. S. Moyes, a former director and a former manager, have each been suspended for 12 months.

PLAYERS FINED

Two former players registered with Palace F.C., J. Palethorpe and V. Blore, have each been fined £10 for receiving payments in excess of those permitted by the Football League.

The Commission considered communications dated Aug. 22 and Nov. 26, 1939, received from Mr. R. S. Moyes, alleging that various sums amounting to £50, entered in the club books as travelling and hotel expenses of directors, vouchers for which were signed by directors Messrs. E. T. Truett, C. E. Truett and R. Cornell were not in fact used for travelling expenses as stated on the vouchers but for illegal payments to players Palethorpe (£20) and Blore (£30) upon their transfer to the club from Aston Villa and West Ham United respectively.

The report says: "It was admitted by Messrs. E. T. Truett, C. E. Truett and R. Cornell that they had signed vouchers for expenses which had not been incurred by them, and that the amount represented by the vouchers had been promised by the manager, Mr. R. S. Moyes, to the players Palethorpe and Blore, and had been paid to them in violation of the regulations of the Football League."

New Swimming Record For Hveger

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 12 (UP).—Ranghild Hveger to-day broke the 500-metres swimming record, covering the distance in six minutes 27.4 seconds, clipping a second off the previous world's record set by the Belgian, Fernand Caroens.

Results Of Golf Competitions At Fanling

The following were the results of Chinese New Year golf competitions held at Fanling:

The Bogey Par Pool over the Old Course was won by G. C. Worrall (8) who was two up. J. Linaker (17) and W. Hewitt (13) were both one up and divide the second prize. Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson (9) was one up and won the medal competition on the same card. There were 63 entries.

Medal Round

There were 17 entries for the Medal Round over the Old Course which was won by Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson, who returned a score of 77-9=68.

Bogey Pool

J. Linaker (17) won the Bogey Par Pool over the New Course from an entry of 17, being all square.

The Mixed Bogey Par over the New Course was cancelled owing to insufficient entries.

Stubbs Shield

THE SEMI-FINALS of the Stubbs Shield competition were held at Fanling recently and resulted in a win for A.P.C. (G. M. Park and R. Young) over Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps (Col. Rose and Lt. Col. E. J. R. Mitchell) at the 20th, and for R.A.M.C. (Major Harvey and Major Bowie) over Harbour Office (Cmdr. Hole and R. K. Collings) six and five.

Referee Criticised In Shanghai Newspaper

SHANGHAI, Feb. 12 (UP).—A soccer spectator calling himself "Give and Take" criticises Shanghai's referee and linesmen in the interport game in a letter to the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury. He says:

"Well done Hongkong! With 11 men you managed to keep the score down to 2-0 against a team which played with 13 men—11 players, a linesman and referee.

"The linesman on the north line must have thought it was Mafeking Night or the Armistice by the manner in which he waved his flags.

"Shanghai's first goal was at least three yards offside as Roboostoff was lying that distance behind both the Hongkong backs when the ball was last played. I was right in line with the position from which he shot.

"Next, the penalty. Tsao will be the first to admit that when he shot the ball never touched any part of the Hongkong player's hand, wrist, elbow, muscles or shoulder; it hit him just under the armpit and glided off, and as his back was facing—to use an Irishism—the north stand, how in the name of Old Harry could the referee see?"

The writer says the referee was unnecessarily severe towards the Hongkong players in pulling them up nine times for allegedly unfair tackling when the tackling was actually fair. He concludes.—"No wonder the Hongkong players shook their heads at most of the decisions. So again well done Hongkong!"

Civil Service C.C. Tennis Tournament

A MIXED DOUBLES tennis tournament will be held at the Civil Service Cricket Club on Sunday, February 18, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

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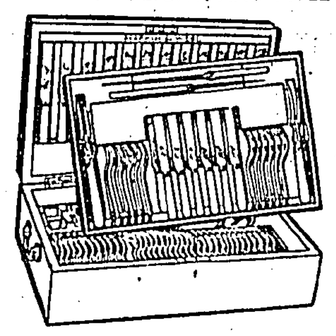

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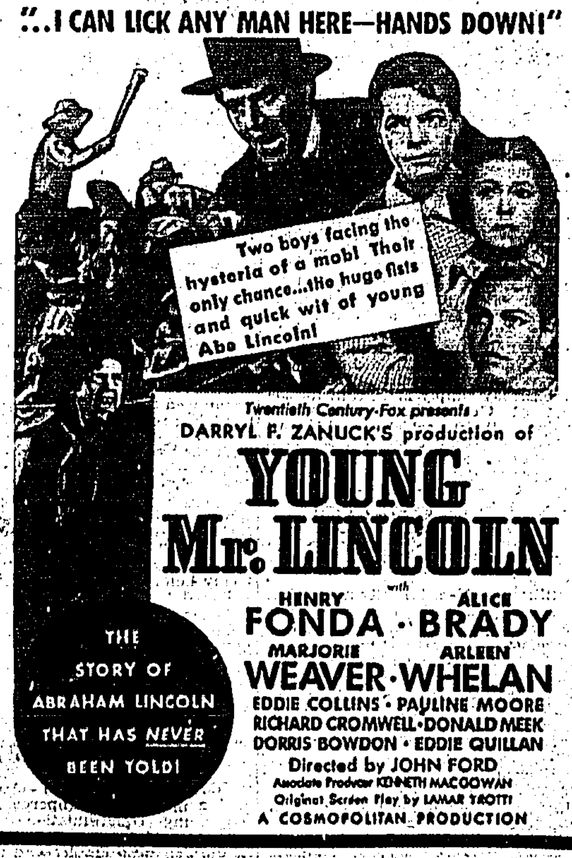

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Jealousy Among Quins

There is trouble in the Dionne household at Callander, Ontario. Two of the Quins are jealous of their other three sisters, and all because Cecilie, Marie and Emilie have lost some of their first teeth.

Yvonne and Annette, say United Press, are envious of their sisters' achievement. In fact, they have tried every means within their power to extract some of their own teeth, so far without result.

Doctor Dafoe states that the teeth of the Quins will be mounted and kept as a contribution to medical history.

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WINNING WAR WILL BE NO EASY TASK, BRITISH PEOPLE WARNED

Complacency Is Our Greatest Danger

By PETER LYNE

LONDON.—Complacency appears to be deemed Britain's greatest danger at the present stage of the war, judging from the extent to which stress on the seriousness of the task of defeating Germany is suddenly being redoubled here.

The development can hardly be dissociated from the secret session of Parliament when war supplies were discussed and the Government faced a barrage of questions on the effectiveness of the war effort.

The vehemence with which radio listeners are urged to face the fact, "we are fighting for our lives and for our freedom" struck an unusually highpitched note compared with the normal calm tone of British radiocasts.

Maj. Gen. Sir Ernest Swinton in his weekly review of the war situation was the BBC spokesman, but a similar warning line has been taken by Mr. Anthony Eden and Sir Arthur Salter in speech since Parliament's secret sessions and by newspaper writers, notably Mr. Vernon Bartlett, M.P., and Mr. G. Ward Price, expert on Germany.

Must Sheer Red Tape

"If we are to beat Germany," Sir Ernest said, "we have got to take things more seriously than we are doing. We have got to put our house in order. We have got to prevent overlapping in our effort and the waste of money. We have to sheer through red tape and get a move on. May we do it before it is too late. The red light is at danger and I repeat with all the seriousness of which I am capable the words I spoke 15 minutes ago, 'We are fighting for our lives and for our freedom.' I add, once we realize that, we are bound to win."

The appeal for no belittling of the war task and no underrating of the Nazi war machine was made by Mr. Eden at a literary lunch organized by Foyle's Book Shop, presided over by Viscount Halifax and attended by many prominent persons among the 1,200 guests.

Taking as his text "Towards a Lasting Peace," Mr. Eden based hopes on three objectives: First, nothing should distract the British from winning the war; second, Anglo-French co-operation should be still further extended during the war and should be fully maintained afterward; third, co-operation between members of the British Commonwealth should be brought closer and closer.

At the same lunch Sir Arthur stressed the necessity of Britain making a much greater economic effort which, he said, would prove the deciding factor in the war, and R. C. K. Ensor, Oxford historian, impressed on the audience the dangers of facing such an enemy as Hitler.

Danger In Complacency

Mr. Bartlett, in the first article since he emerged from behind the bolted doors which kept strangers away from the Commons secret sessions says in the News Chronicle, "it isn't true that we can win the war by sitting still, waiting for a fissure to turn into a breach and for the whole Nazi edifice to crumble into ruins. The greatest danger to victory to-day is our own complacency about it."

Further support for the view that the British people are taking the war too complacently comes from Mr. Price, who, writing in the Daily Mail contends that too much money and energy are being wasted in the crowded theatres, restaurants, and night clubs of London and the chief provincial cities. Further he alleges wasteful bureaucratic methods, and slack enforcement of such measures as gasolene restriction, under which big cars carrying one person are seen heading to the city daily.

On the other hand authorities are faced with a serious problem keeping up the morale threatened by the blackout and other restrictions, by the boredom and irritation engendered by the immense amount at present of seemingly useless work of manning innumerable antiaircraft guns, air raid posts, and firefighting appliances Therefore any attempts to enforce the new restrictions are met with determined protests. Complacency may now be held to be Britain's biggest bogey, but boredom can't be far behind in this war which Americans have aptly called "cockeyed."

The inactivity which now marks warfare on the western front elicited even the comment of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, who, on his visit to the Maginot Line, declared, "it is a matter of taste, but personally I prefer to be bored rather than bombed."

AMERICAN CRITICS

New York, Feb. 12.

"President Roosevelt's sudden week-end peace offensive has now rather hastily toned down," writes the *New York Herald-Tribune*, which adds, "The best thing that can be hoped for gestures of this kind is that they will prove harmless."

Miss Dorothy Thompson, writing in the same newspaper, says the explanation of the President's move is to be found chiefly in the United States in the presidential campaign and only secondarily in Europe.—*Reuter.*

SHADOW OF MAN ON FIRE SHOWN

This curious phenomenon was photographed by a reader of the "Telegraph" at last week's big fire in the Shamshuipo area. The shadow of the onlooker is plainly visible on the smoke of the fire.

'Human Escalator' Helps To Save R.A.F. Raid Hero

PILOTS and aircraftmen at a lonely R.A.F. station in Britain played a vital part in saving the life of an airman who was wounded in the Heligoland battle.

The flyer was gunner of the British bomber which shot down five Messerschmitt fighters.

When the bomber returned, the men at the R.A.F. station made a "human escalator" of their backs so that he could be removed as gently as possible from the machine.

He weighed 14 stone, and they had no easy task.

"Doing Well"

Although the bullet which passed through his thigh had missed both bone and artery, he had lost a great deal of blood on the long and cold flight home.

But now, in hospital, he is "doing very well."

Because of fears for his gunner's safety, the bomber pilot decided to land at the nearest home aerodrome —a lonely station near the East Coast.

It was just before dark when the machine appeared over the station.

As it put down, cheered by the waiting pilots, a tyre bursts, and it swung round in a circle.

Tattered Wings

It had been badly damaged during the raid. Both wings were in tatters, and the fuselage was riddled with bullet holes.

One wing was burned.

Despite all this, however, the plane flew as well as ever."

During the battle an armour-piercing bullet tore the sole from the boot of another member of the crew.

He escaped with a graze and a slight burn.

Mother Tells How She Fainted And Then— FOUND BABY DEAD IN BATH

SOUTHAMPTON.—While bathing her nine-month-old baby, Mrs. Newbury, of Foundrylane, Southampton, fainted.

When she recovered, some minutes later, the child was dead.

This was the tragic story told at the inquest on the child at Southampton.

Mrs. Newbury's husband, a ship's baker, is at sea.

This is the sory she told:—

"I was rinsing baby when suddenly I had a dizzy feeling.

"I remember nothing more until I found myself lying partly on the floor and partly on the bath.

"I went to lift baby out of the bath when everything went hazy. I think I fainted again.

"When I came round baby was under the water."

The coroner said no blame attached to the mother.

R.A.F. Girl Pilots

WOMEN are to pilot R.A.F. planes. They will ferry new light training craft from factory to aerodrome. Only eight will be enrolled to start.

Here is a photograph of Miss Pauline Gower, daughter of Sir Robert Gower, M.P., who is taking charge of this new section of the Air Transport Auxiliary Service.

Amphibian Super-Plane Can Fly Anywhere

LARGEST amphibian plane in the world, the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation's model 28-5A, has just been built and passed its tests in the United States.

This plane can use land or water equally well as a basis for taking off and landing.

It need never have a beaching crew because it can climb a ramp or beach under its own power. It can go down to the sea from a beach in the same way, completely controlled by its own brakes.

Perhaps the most interesting use of the landing gear is in a rough sea, when it can be extended as a sea anchor. This greatly helps control. Turns on the water are achieved with far less skidding.

This plane is regarded as a great step forward in aeroplane manufacture, and as making the field of operation virtually "from anywhere to anywhere on the face of the globe."

Hitler An Evil Spirit— The Dean

The Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. W. R. Matthews, said recently that he was "inclined to think" that Hitler is an evil spirit in contact with a malignant power which reinforces his natural gifts and drives him to destroy.

The Dean did not use those words, for he was addressing the Society for Psychical Research in London on "Psychical Research and Religion." But he was no less emphatic.

The Word "Demonic"

There were, he said, mystical states which were morally and spiritually evil. He went on:

"There are persons who have what we can only call 'spiritual power,' who are apparently in contact with some source of energy which reinforces their natural endowments, and gives them a unification of purpose which makes them most formidable.

"But these persons are often evil and their mystical experience is a heightening of their will and their capacity for destruction.

"In other words, I believe in the word 'demonic.'"

The Dean raised his eyes from his manuscript for a moment, and gave his hearers a keen glance over the top of his spectacles as he added in deliberate tones:

"We should not have to look very far for an example of a mystic of this type, or for the evidence of his power for evil."

There was a chorus of "hear, hear!"

Faith In Survival

Dr. Matthews went on to discuss the question of the survival of the actual personality of a human being after death. He said he was in sympathy with the theory.

Christian thinkers of many schools would say that the continuance just as it was of human personality was not necessarily good news; it might very well be bad news.

"The records of psychical research are full of deceit, fraud, and illusion," said the Dean. "But when one has discounted all this there remains a residuum of established facts which, prima facie, suggests the hypothesis of survival."

Official List of Sub. Victims

The Secretary of the Admiralty regrets to announce that the following officers and ratings who formed the ships' companies of H.M. Submarines Seahorse, Undine, and Starfish are missing.

The German wireless has announced that part of the crews of the Undine and Starfish have been rescued, but their names are not yet available.

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DAY into NIGHT

WHETHER you wear your hair short, or long, you may want to give yourself a different hair-do for parties.

Here are two ways of transforming simple everyday hair styles into party coiffures.

The Eton crop of the last war was hard and difficult to wear: in the new short style, the hair is cut to about 4in. long all over the head, so that even at the back you have soft ends, long enough to curl, thus avoiding an ugly, bare neckline.

If you have this style brushed into a mass of short curls all over the head you will need a strong and efficient permanent wave.

HAIRDRESSER RAYMOND can do almost anything with the new semi-short hair—that is, not more than four inches long all over, and fairly strongly curled at the ends.

Here is one convertible way: The girl with the telephone has a side parting, and has side-brushed her hair at the back, so that the ends curl above the ear. The short ends on top are just brushed up and back and coiled neatly above the forehead.

For evening, the hair-do is completely transformed by a fresh parting (see how to do it from the small drawing on the right) and the curls on top, instead of being kept flat and restrained, are combed up into quite a "coiffe" on the forehead. The back is very easy. Instead of being brushed sideways, the hair is combed down on to the nape of the neck, and the ends pushed up into curls.

But there are other ways. In the picture below we suggest two ways of adapting a shortish hair do. One is perfectly businesslike and suitable for office or uniform: the other is pretty and glamorous, especially for evening.

But also, if you restrain the "fluff" on top and brush the curls a little more tightly round your fingers it would be a very attractive way for any rather feminine girl, especially in a hood, turban or off the face hat.

And since many practical women find a bun the answer to all hair problems we also suggest, in the group on the right a way of making your hair style look newer and also a suggestion for transforming it.

By the way, do wear a bun net when on service of any kind—in the garden, in the kitchen. It saves that wispy, dowdy look.

And if you are in the habit of just combing your hair back anyhow into that bun do try cutting a fringe, and wearing it not as fringe, but as a bunch of curls. If your hair is straight and you can't afford a perm, it's easy enough to put your front hair into a couple of lead curlers every night (disguised, please, with a chiffon scarf or bow).

LOTS of people like to keep their hair long, when a neat bun looks as good as anything.

One way to make a long style look different is to have the front ends cut short, and keep them curled, so that you can either have a fringe, or a bunch of curls, like the girl in the picture on the right.

In the party season you can then transform your hair into an attractive "turban" for evening. Brush the curls forward out of the way, and take all the rest of your hair well back. Now divide into two equal strands, twist them, cross them over, and bring them up to the front of the head like the girl in the small drawing. Cross the ends and tuck them in, pinning securely. And there you are.

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MACARONI AIDS

MACARONI, which is hard wheat converted into a paste with water, is a good companion to bacon and fresh meats and makes them go further.

For breakfast, fry four ounces of bacon cut into dice, add the same quantity of cooked macaroni in inch-long pieces, season and stir together for five minutes. Heap on a hot dish, and garnish with snippets of dry toast, or bread fried in bacon fat or dripping.

Mutton and macaroni—half a pound of the first to four ounces of the second—stewed with onions and carrots and flavoured and seasoned to taste makes a good dinner dish. Nearly cover them with water or stock and simmer gently for about one and a half hour.

Meat and macaroni mould is a good way of using up the remains of a cold joint. Allow half a pound of cooked meat to three ounces of cooked macaroni. Chop them both finely, season with pepper, salt, a pinch of nutmeg if liked, stir in a beaten egg and enough flour or breadcrumbs to make a fairly stiff paste. Steam in a greased basin for about an hour.

Bacon can no longer be spared for dinner dishes, so try macaroni with rabbit instead. Boil the rabbit till tender, remove the meat from the bones, and cut it in small pieces. Mix it with two ounces of cooked macaroni, a chopped onion, half a pint of milk, and salt and pepper to taste. Simmer for half an hour, stirring frequently. Just before serving add two ounces of grated cheese, if liked; otherwise a nut of dripping or margarine.

Simplicity is the keynote of Melanie Wilkes' charming cameo dress in pale beige coloured bengaline worn in the film "Gone With the Wind." The large cameo brooch is an effective adornment.

RESTORATION

Last Year's Frock into Next Year's Fashion

By MARY GRACE

Striped taffeta jacket worn with swing skirt bound at hem to match. Lace yoke and sleeves—1940 blouse atop a pleated skirt.

THERE is no need to be behind the times, even though last season's frock has to do duty at a party. Here's how to brighten it.

First snip off a few inches from the hem. You'll feel younger at once. If it is a swing or gored skirt bind the edge with coloured ribbon.

Nip in the waist a little tighter to give the suggestion of a spring at the hip line. Top it with a light coloured jacket blouse to match the coloured skirt hem.

These jacket blouses can be in velvet or satin stripes, whichever you fancy. Keep them shapely down the side seams and allow the basque to fit about three inches above the waist. Cherry red with black is this season's most successful colour scheme.

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You have a pleated sports skirt? Then shorten that to about two inches below the knee. Have it replaced and nip it on to a new petersham.

A square-necked blouse with an appliqué lace top will bring it into line with the new models which are being shown in Paris at the present time.

Rather coarse string coloured lace is preferable, and the short puff sleeves can also be made of it.

A Russian velvet blouse, with high swathed neck line and cutting down one side of the front, in crimson, cherry or violet, is another idea for giving an extra year of life to a tired black evening dress or instep length skirt.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

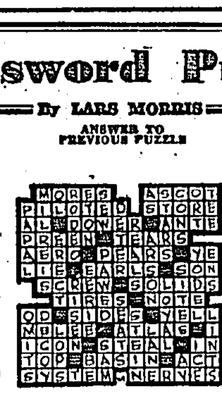
ACROSS

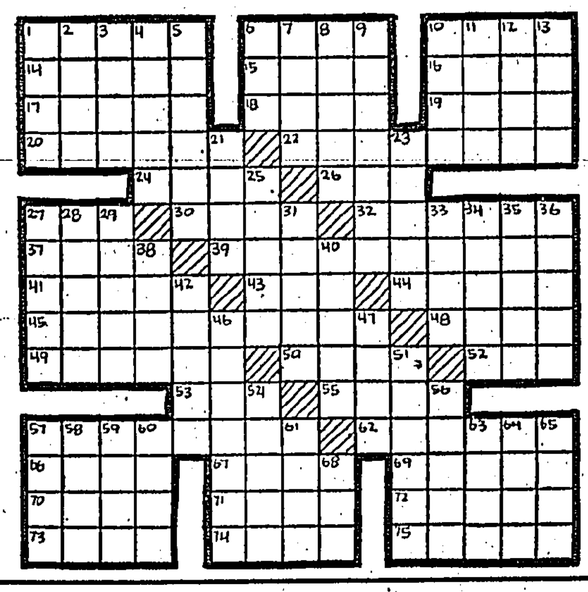
1—Articles in list
6—Crust formed on wound
10—Bet in poker
14—Editor of "Notes and Queries" (died 1878)
15—Secretary of State
16—Fruit covering
17—Ancient Roman magistrate
18—Illustrious Italian family
19—Chronological divisions of history
20—Set firmly in place
22—Welsh ship-building center
24—Without interest
26—Capital of Brazil
27—Diminutive person
30—Frozen water crystal
32—Sacrifice of Hindu wife on funeral pyre of husband
37—To let fall
39—Three vowels combined to produce one sound
41—Second month of spring
43—As done in
44—Oriental guitar
45—Stripped of furniture
48—Satisfy appetite of
49—Property left after death
50—Uttered
52—Allow
53—Devour
56—Require
57—Stopped
62—Guides
66—Ireland
67—Wife of Geraint
68—Apportion
70—Skin on cheese
71—Aby
72—Mediterranean power
73—Military meal
74—Source of wood
75—Pains

DOWN

1—Fifteenth of March
2—Implement for skidding logs
3—Castor silk
4—Fortified British island
5—Contemptuous insinuations
6—This woman
7—Point of crescent
8—Change
9—Disfiguring defect
10—One who imitates
11—Roman emperor
12—Red-Indian tree
13—Otherwise
21—Drive in forcibly
23—Boxing matches
25—French dramatist (died 1730)
27—Avoid by trickery
28—Method of calico-printing
29—Foremost in place
31—Determines to do
33—To this degree
34—Summation
35—Growing out
36—Type of heron
38—Capital of Peru
40—Hour of equation
42—More recent
46—In most immediate vicinity
47—Congressman now investigating subversive activities
51—Narrate minutely
54—Manner of progress
55—Greek letter
57—True skin
58—Great Lake
59—Metal containers
60—Terminates
61—Ten cents
63—Impetuous rush
64—Part in play
65—Pertaining to pigpen
68—River in Scotland

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE





Cold Weather Sweets

DELICIOUS served with a sprinkling of caster sugar and a squeeze of lemon juice are these feather-light dumplings.

Ingredients: 4oz. flour, 2oz. shredded suet, 2oz. currants, ½ teasp. baking-powder, and a pinch of salt.

Mix with water to make a stiff paste. Divide into pieces the size of an egg and drop these into fast-boiling water.

Boil quickly for 20 minutes, moving them about at first to prevent sticking to the bottom.

Baked Roly Poly

Family favourite made with ½lb. flour, 3oz. dripping or margarine, ½ teasp. baking-powder, jam.

Rub the dripping into the flour and mix with water to a stiff paste. Roll out on a floured board, then spread with jam.

Roll up, and bake on a greased tin for three-quarters of an hour in a moderate oven.

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Hot Water Crust

RAISED meat pies are always a popular standby. Here is a recipe for the hot-water crust.

Ingredients: 1lb. flour, 6oz. lard, ¼pt. water, ½ teaspoonful salt.

Bring lard and water to the boil, then stir it into the flour and salt, and knead to a dough. Place dough on a floured board, allow to stand for five minutes, then knead to a light dough.

Shape the greater portion of the dough with the hands into a hollow pie. The pastry must be kept warm or it will crack. When raised, fill with seasoned meat.

Wet the edges with cold water and cover with a lid made from the remaining piece of crust. Brush over with milk and decorate with diamonds of paste.

Make a slit in the pastry and fix in a funnel of parchment paper. Put the pie in a hot oven for 20 minutes to half an hour, reduce the heat; cover with parchment paper soaked in cold water, and cook for another 1¼ hours.

Pour in a little good, hot stock with a little dissolved gelatine added. Leave to set.

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By Ernie Bushmiller

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FIVE minutes to eleven on the morning of September the third, five minutes more of peace . . .

The sun shone quietly over this pleasant isle of ours. The white clouds cast a pattern of shadows over the green and pleasant land. A haycart moved along a road. Two horses plodded in a field.

Gulls mewed above the downs, and in a hollow behind the cliffs minute figures crawled upon the close cropped turf. The small black things they had come in were motor-cars. There were bathers in the sea.

In the villages and towns where British people lived and worked the autumn sunshine flooded down. It touched the old time faces of barns and buildings into new life and smiled on High-streets and back gardens and car parks and ancient churches and arterial roads with an impartial geniality.

It was good to be a native of Britain and to be alive on that September morning, except for the relentless passing of those five minutes.

Perhaps it was only the imaginative who thought they saw an ominous dulling of the sunshine, as if a shadow crept over the earth.

There was an uncanny silence for one thing. The sky held no aeroplanes, and wherever people congregate, there they congregated in little knots.

Was there an ochreous film over the familiar scenes and the accustomed places as if the forces of destruction warred somewhere overhead but out of sight?

There was that feeling about London. There was a woman who stood in a window looking down upon the street. She felt it strongly, a slowing down of momentum, as if the buses and the traffic and the people moved without intention, as if all the happy racket and business and all the things she knew and used to take for granted would gradually stop.

There was a man with a poster which said: "Time limit for Nazis," but he was not selling papers.

He stood in a little group who seemed uncommunicative, as if they were waiting for something. They were. A taxi stopped, and its driver descended and began to look into the sky.

The woman turned her head and spoke to her companion.

"D'you think . . ." she said.

The other girl looked silently at the clock above the mantelpiece and then at the waiting wireless set.

She rose slowly and walked over to it and stood for a few moments drumming on the lid of it with her fingers. Then with a sudden movement she switched it on.

From the interminable silence the voice of the Prime Minister emerged faintly and swelled into full volume.

"Up to the very last it would have been possible to have arranged a peaceful and honourable settlement . . ."

Their eyes met in the steady stare of knowledge.

"It is evil things that we shall be fighting. Bad faith. Injustice. Oppression and persecution. Against them I am *certain* that Right will prevail." Someone coughed. The National Anthem broke forth . . .

SUDDENLY the door opened and two men broke in and stopped. Both were in Air Force blue, one Wing Commander, the other a Flight Commander.

The girl at the mantelpiece wheeled round, crossed to her husband in surprise, and took him by the arm.

"Are we at war, then?" he asked.

She nodded slowly. "Mr. Chamberlain's just spoken, Bob."

"What was it he said yesterday?" the Wing Commander asked. "'To satisfy *one man's* vain, senseless ambition. . . .'"

The Flight Commander had crossed to the other girl, and taking her hand in his.

"He did his best to stop it, June."

Merle spoke again. "Ralph—are we ready?"

"You mean, are we prepared?"

She nodded and the little movement spoke to all Britain.

"Never better," he answered grimly.

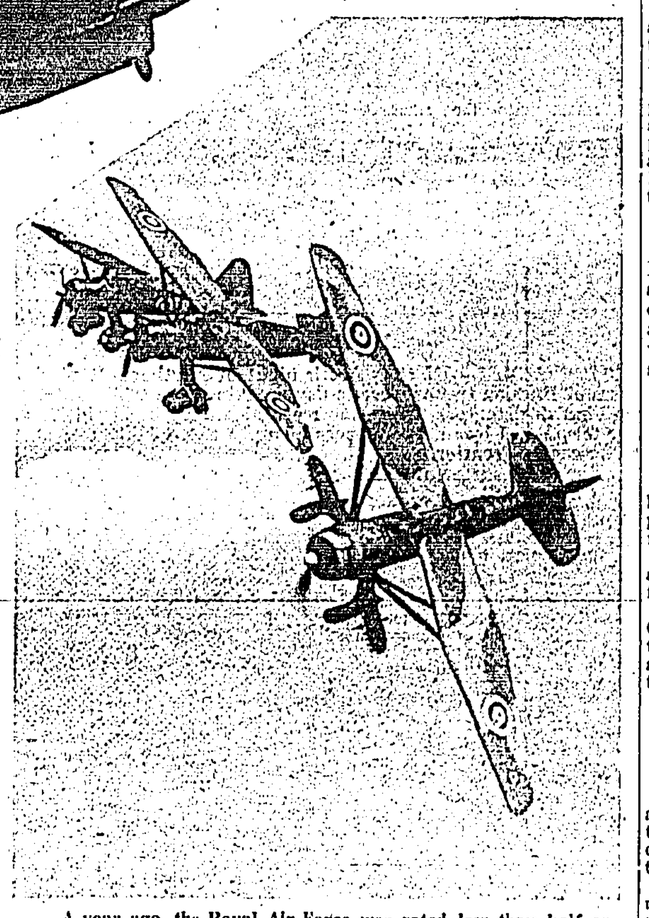
"Ralph, what are you doing here?"

"New station. I—we've only got a second."

"Oh, Ralph!" She clung to him. He kissed her. Bob took June's hand and led her into the tiny hall. He jerked his hand tactfully to the drawing-room of the little flat.

She smiled. "Good luck," he said.

He swallowed and looked at her in a dumb sort of way.



A year ago, the Royal Air Force was rated less than half as effective as the German. But planes now coming off the line at the rate of 1,000 a month have brought the R.A.F.'s first-line fighting force up to 3,000 planes. Among them is the Westland Lysander, an observation ship shown below "peeling off" before dropping bombs.

"All right," she whispered.

He kissed her suddenly, taking her in his arms.

"When you come back," she suggested in a whisper.

"You mean . . . married?"

She nodded.

Ralph Richardson was tugging at his arm.

God bless you, my dear, good-bye."

"Good-bye."

"Good-bye, Ralph. Take care of yourself."

"Good-bye . . . good-bye . . . good-bye."

The two women ran to the window and leaned out. They saw two airmen, any two airmen, get into a cab and drive away. Gently Merle waved, her hand fluttering in the light like a dancer's scarf.

And at that moment the sound broke over London, the wild wailing of the mechanical banshee, the maniacal ululations of the air-raid signal.

So war came to England, hurriedly at first and without overmuch of drama.

Richardson and Bobby reached their unit, well-trained cogs in an immense and powerful machine. Britain's Air Force, a new and deadly enemy to Nazi Germany, on its toes, alert and eager.

A few short days passed and the Nazi undersea pirates began their work.

As the Athenia crossed the Atlantic death was stalking its innocent passengers. A voice spat out an order, a torpedo snaked through the sea, there was a deafening explosion, and those innocent passengers paid the first toll of warfare.

The resonant drone of Britain's Air Force deepened as it moved into its stride. Battleships of the air stood ready and waiting.

So did the young aviators, direct descendants of Britain's past heroes of sea and field. The atrocity of the sinking of the Athenia was something that must be revenged with deadly swiftness.

They had not long to wait.

SHORT, staccato orders were barked into a telephone and carried from the Chief of Air Staff down to the Station Commander. A certain plan was transmitted.

"Zero hour nineteen hundred . . ." From mouth to mouth the instructions were passed.

The first blow against the enemy was to be struck.

The Station Commander turned briefly to his Intelligence Officer.

"You've got all the necessary information?"

The I.O. nodded curtly. "Yes, sir."

"All right, carry on!"

The Intelligence Officer turned to one of the wing commanders. "Barran, can I have your pilots and crews here in a quarter of an hour?"

More instructions were flashed into telephones. The machinery began to click over with a fascinating efficiency. From lofty hangars emerged the giant planes selected for the hazardous job ahead.

Petrol, gallons of alcohol, poured in a never-ending flow into the tanks, guns were loaded with ammunition, bombing apparatus was fixed and tested, and bombs were loaded carefully into their allotted places.

Nothing must be left to chance. But it is the way of the Briton that, the more perilous and important the task, the lighter the heart with which he tackles it.

Even at this moment—prelude to an expedition that carried death as the price of failure—there was room for a joke.

From his pocket an aircraftman produced a piece of chalk, and selecting a bomb he carefully printed on it: "ONE FOR ADOLF," and he patted the bomb almost with loving care before it was loaded on to his plane!

★

IN the Bombs Operation Room Intelligence-Officer Douglas stood before a large map. With complete informality the pilots and crews lounged around the vast table, waiting their last instructions.

"All the people here?"

"Yes, sir," replied the chief pilot.

"How many aircraft?"

"The full six."

"Right." The I.O. paused. "Well, boys, you're in luck . . . no propaganda leaflets this time. It's the real thing."

"Good!" replied one of the men, and excited grins spread across the faces of the rest.

"Now," continued the Intelligence Officer, "We've received information that the German pocket battleships are making towards the mouth of the Kiel Canal.

"By the time you get there they should be just inside. Your job is to secure direct hits on the battleships.

"Here are six copies of your route and weather forecast. You cross the coast at Chillingham—fighter command will be informed—change the course to 110 degrees. . . ."

He continued the technical information which the R.A.F. men absorbed carefully.

"I want cameras taken, of course. Exact data of what we achieve is important. Anything else?"

"Well, there's just one thing. I take it there's no balloon-barrage there?"

The I.O. shook his head. "Not if you stick to your route."

"Good," replied the chief pilot. "Well, that's the lot."

"Good luck."

"Thanks."

Without any more fuss the men started to move out of the room.

"What about our party to-night?" asked one of the crew to another.

"What are you doing to-morrow?" was the reply.

"O.K. Make it to-morrow," grinned the other, and he patted his friend cheerfully on the shoulder.

And so the adventure began. . . .

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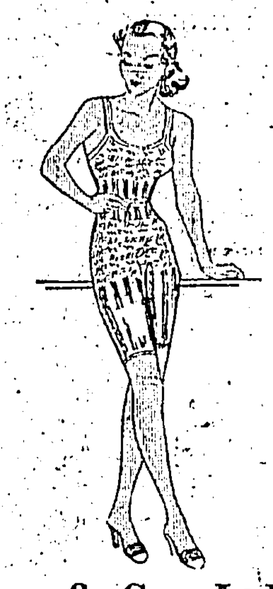

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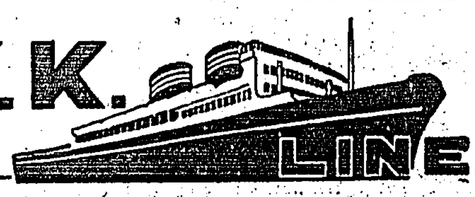

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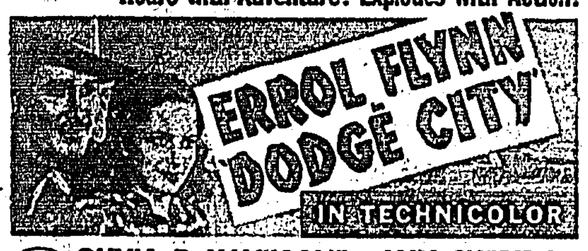

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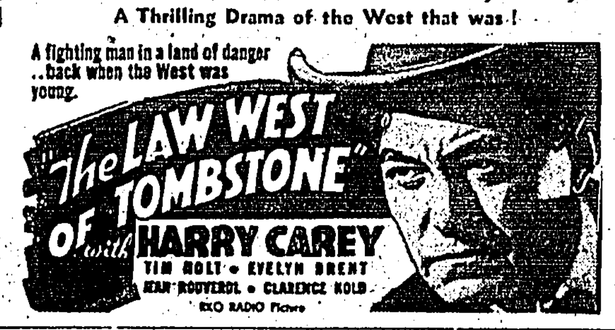

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KING'S DECORATIONS FOR R.A.F. HEROES

By RONALD WALKER
News Chronicle Correspondent with the R.A.F.

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE.

WEARING the uniform of the R.A.F. and the wings which he gained at Cranwell during the last war, the King paid a hurried visit to the Royal Air Force in France to-day.

At one aerodrome he decorated a flying officer who learned to fly as a 6d.-a-week member of the L.P.T.B. Busmen's Flying Club, and a sergeant. These are the first awards to be made to the R.A.F. in the field.

The arrival of the King after his tour of the Army was kept secret. The party, which included Lord Gort and the Duke of Gloucester, travelled by train from Army headquarters.

The King spent the night in the train, which was parked in a siding not far from here. All roads and approaches to this point were barred and guarded by French sentries. British soldiers were on sentry around the train.

BOMBER STATION CEREMONY

Among the French population of this town the news had got about that an important person was expected. They did not know that it was the King of England.

A bitterly cold wind lashed the station as the royal train pulled in at 9 a.m. to-day. The King and his party, who were met by Air Vice-Marshal P. H. L. Playfair, left at once in a procession of cars to visit several war stations in the district. These included a stores park, the operation room at a wing headquarters and an A.A. battery.

The decorations were awarded at a bomber aerodrome.

Officers and airmen, their noses blue with cold, lined three sides of a square and waited for the King to arrive. He was greeted by the commanding officer.

Apologised For Beard

At once the King advanced to a small table and stood rigidly while the commanding officer recited the deeds of the officer and the sergeant.

Flying-Officer R. C. Graveley, of Leytonstone, he decorated with the Empire Gallant Medal, and Sergeant F. H. Gardiner, of Dover, with the Medal of the Military Division of the Order of the British Empire.

[The feats which earned them these awards have already been described.]

Flying-Officer Graveley apologised to the King for having a beard, explaining that his wounds have not yet healed completely.

The King smiled his understanding and asked the officer if he had lost any confidence in his flying abilities. "No, sir," was the reply, "I have already reported for flying duties."

After talking further with both men the King shook their hands and wished them luck.

Self-censored

From here he went on to a small village to inspect airmen's billets. It had spread among the incredulous residents that Le Roi Anglais was expected. They gathered excitedly at the main cross-roads and watched the last-minute preparations of the R.A.F. men.

With five minutes to go the town crier arrived. He is an opportunist. After banging on his drum and getting the necessary attention he announced that those people who had not paid their co-operative fire insurance due on December 1, would be dealt with severely.

When urged to announce the arrival of the King, he objected that he could not disclose a secret known only to himself and the Mayor.

Many of the airmen here are billeted in a factory. The King asked them whether they were comfortable and had enough blankets. "Yes, sir," replied a very nervous young Welshman.

In the kitchens the King was assured that the food was good.

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As he walked out of the gates, a black cat strolled along a wooden beam overhead. The King did not see the cat but the airmen who cheered him good-bye took it as a lucky omen.

Back at headquarters where he lunched with Air Vice-Marshal Playfair, the King was most interested to see photographs of German territory taken by British fliers on reconnaissance and pictures developed from films found in German machines shot down.

He was delighted when Air Vice-Marshal Playfair presented him with an album of pictures specially selected from this collection.

Tale Of Two Bears

This new story may be true or it may be a piece of subtle Oriental allegory, but it is sent by "Reuter," who had it from Tokyo:

Sano, a Japanese charcoal-burner, was walking in the woods when he noticed a little bear perched in a tree.

It seemed a peaceable little bear—but it was a spy.

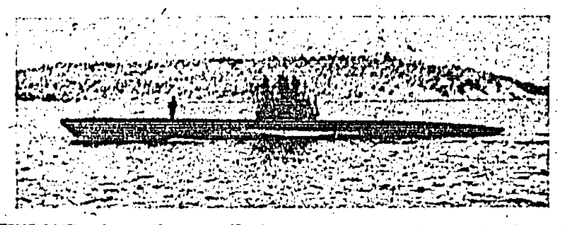
The spy-bear fetched a large bear, weighing at least 160lb., which attacked Sano.

But Sano was a valiant man (possibly his grandfather was a Finn), and he was also a wrestler. So he closed with the bear.

He put on a hammerlock grip. Time passed.

Ten hours later other villagers appeared and the helpless bear was duly slain. Then Sano went home.

THIS BABY SUBMARINE IS FIGHTING RUSSIA



FINLAND has the smallest submarine in the world (above), which is busy in the waters of Lake Ladoga, the seventy-five-mile wide inland Sea on the Russian border. The vessel is less than 100 tons, and has a crew of thirteen. It is about as long as a cricket pitch and a half.

From GILES ROMILLY, Daily Express Staff Reports, describing war from Norway's frontier.

BOY HERO FIGHTS LAST BATTLE IN RAVINE

STOCKHOLM.—IN the Arctic night of Northern Finland masses of Russian troops were to-day breaking through the stubborn Finnish defence. This was revealed to me in a thrilling story telephoned by an eye-witness living in Svanvik, just inside the Norwegian frontier.

COLDEST WINTER IN HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—With further frost and snow, the present winter ranks as the coldest in Holland's history, according to the Dutch Weather Institute.

The record-breaking cold spells of 1855 and 1891 have been left well behind.

The River Waal 20 miles below Njimegen is ten inches higher than she has ever been owing to dams caused by ice floes. Hence an increasingly serious flood situation is developing.

LATE NEWS

He said: 'To-day I saw Tullevi, Koivolaliti, Korvoranta and Salmijarvi in flames and hundreds of pioneer homes burning along the eastern horizon. A reddish glow spread for miles over the snow.

"It was a scene of strange unreality. At regular intervals I heard damp, dead explosions from the nickel mining town of Kolosjoki. Finnish troops, before their retreat, were blowing up the nickel mines and factories."

My informant continued:

I saw columns of Finnish skiers retreating southwards in the red glow.

Occasionally, in the flaming sky, dark spots appeared. They were Russian bombers from Petsamo, scouting for the Finnish troops.

In the afternoon a Finnish column reached a ravine several miles long through which they had to pass.

Their commander detached a twenty-year-old cadet and a sergeant, and put each in charge of a section and two machine-guns.

Their order was: "Stay here and cover our retreat and fight as long as possible."

Bombers Fly Over

Five bombers flew over. After an hour of waiting they saw grey shadows against the snow. It was the Russian advance party. They let it pass.

Then came a grinding, trickling sound. Companies of Russian soldiers were advancing with new, light tanks specially adapted for advancing in the snow.

Their numbers grew and grew. At 100 yards the cadet gave orders to open fire. His machine-gun halted the Russian advance.

The Russians directed machine-gun fire and rifle fire at the main point of resistance. They sent their bombers over again. One by one the Finnish machine-guns became silent.

The grey masses of Russians advanced endlessly, hemming in the Finnish defenders with their fire.

Wounded, his white overall blood-stained, the cadet gave a last order. "That will do. Save the machine-guns."

His comrades left him there to his last sleep in the Arctic night.

Contraband System

Britain's Arrangement With Holland

London, Feb. 12.

The political correspondent of the *Financial News* understands that negotiations between the Dutch trade delegation and the Ministry of Economic Warfare in London are approaching a satisfactory conclusion.

Their object is to secure a smoother working of the Contraband Control system.

It is understood that it is proposed, for the duration of the war, that imports to Holland from overseas shall become the monopoly of the Algemeene Nederlandsche Import Centrale, which is a Government Department.

Consignments addressed to this monopoly agency are to be exempt from the necessity of examination at control ports, but the system of rationing will continue.—Reuter.

An illustrated lecture on "Western Australia" will be given by Prof. W. Brown to-morrow at 6.30 p.m. in Room K of the Hongkong University. All interested are welcome.

Baltic Military Chiefs Meet

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Interest was aroused here by the visit of the Latvian Chief of Staff, General Berkis, to the Esthonian Chief of Staff, General Laidoner.

A Tallinn correspondent of Stockholm's "Tidningen" states that the visit is a sign of the determination of the Baltic States to defend themselves and their independence.

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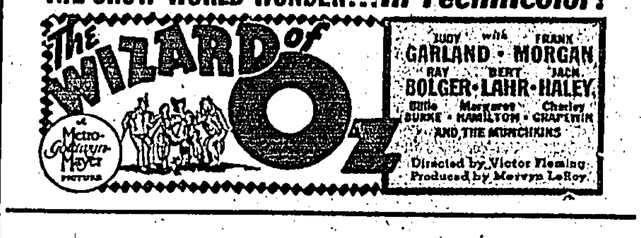

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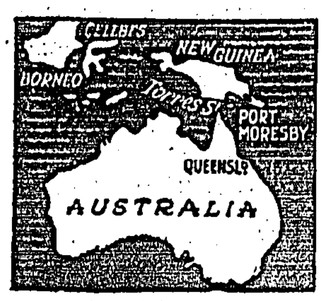
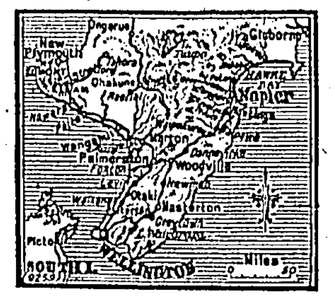


FIRST ANZAC ARMIES ENCAMPED IN EGYPT



IN THE last war Australia mobilised 412,953 men, of whom 331,781 were sent overseas.

The cost of equipping and maintaining these forces was borne by the Commonwealth.

It was the Australian land and sea forces which reduced and occupied the Solomon Islands, the Bismarck Archipelago and other German colonial possessions in the Pacific.

In Egypt Australian troops helped to repel the early attacks by the enemy on the Suez Canal.

In 1915 came the Dardanelles campaign, and after the withdrawal from Gallipoli the bulk of the Australian infantry was sent to France.

By 1916 Australia had five infantry divisions on active service while the greater part of two divisions of cavalry served in Palestine.

The Australian Expeditionary Force lost 58,132 dead and had a total casualty list of 214,360.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SUEZ, FEB. 12 (UP).—THE FIRST CONTINGENT OF THE FAMOUS ANZACS—THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS WHICH WON FAME AT GALLIPOLI AND LATER IN THE WESTERN FRONT IN THE LAST WAR—SANG "ROLL OUT THE BARREL" FROM THE DECKS OF THEIR PARADE OF LUXURY LINERS AS THEY PASSED THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL IN A LINE THAT STRETCHED BEYOND THE HORIZON.

They were a fine-looking body of men, thousands strong, wearing the Digger hats that were famous twenty-five years ago.

Long before they disembarked their raucous "Cooees" told Egypt that the Anzacs had arrived.

BRADMAN'S SCORE

"How many has Bradman scored in the Sheffield Shield?" was a sergeant's first query as the men started to come down the gangplanks.

Captain Anthony Eden, Minister for the Dominions, flew to Egypt to welcome the Diggers on behalf of the King.

The Australians and New Zealanders disembarked without losing one man on the voyage.

Their parade of luxury liners was the biggest troop convoy the world has seen in over a quarter-of-a-century. The voyage, over 10,000 miles, was also the war's longest.

As in 1914, the Anzacs are remaining in Egypt—for the present.

They will live in camouflaged tents which include showers, cinemas, swimming pools, an Australian National Travel Association bureau and recreation rooms.

The Australian and New Zealand troopships merged into a single convoy at sea.

They were escorted by units of the Royal Australian Navy and the Royal Navy.

Tall, tough and tanned, many of the men who disembarked to-day are repeating a momentous day in the lives of their fathers, for it is just over 25 years ago that the first Australian and New Zealand contingents disembarked at the identical spot. On April 25, twenty-five years ago this year, they participated in the landing at Gallipoli.

Lieut. General Sir Thomas Blamey, the gaunt Digger of the 1914-18 War, is Commander in Chief of the second A.I.F., Major General B.C. Freyberg is commanding the N.Z.E.F.

Army Of Million Men

These Antipodeans are joining an Allied Army in the Near East already estimated to number upwards of a million men. They are ready for any eventuality in this part of the world.

In the last war the Turks were their enemy. To-day, the Turks are friendly and there is no fear of an attack on the Suez Canal from that direction.

The defence area assigned to the Near East forces, stretches from Rumania in the north to Aden in the south and from Egypt in the west to the Caspian Sea in the east.

Leaders Confer

The arrival of the Anzacs coincided with the return of General Weygand, the French C. in C., to his headquarters at Beyruet, after consulting with General Wavel, the C. in C. of the Army in Egypt.

Although the consultations were naturally secret, it can be taken for granted that the Allied generals discussed how best to use the colourful armies from many races under their commands if the war spreads to the Balkans, the Near East or the Middle East in the spring.

After six weeks of sea life, the Anzacs were a bit weary of travelling, and they let themselves go when they arrived to-day.

They cheered Captain Anthony Eden, they cheered the British C. in C., they cheered their own leaders and they cheered the Egyptian officials who had turned out to give them an enthusiastic welcome.

"Roll Out the Barrel" sang the visiting fighters, with a special emphasis on that line—"for the gang's all here."

They were grand, bronzed men, and they grinned with delight.

When they go into action against the Nazis, their victory "Cooee", judging by to-day's effort, is likely to be heard all the way to Australia and New Zealand.

NEW ZEALAND, the British Dominion that boasts that it is more British than England, consists chiefly of two islands with an area of 102,000 square miles.

On January 26 last, New Zealand celebrated its centenary as an integral part of the British Empire.

The Dominion has a Labour Government, which came into power in 1935 and was the first Socialist government ever to gain office in the Dominion.

Like the Australians, the New Zealanders covered themselves with glory in the last war. They participated in the Gallipoli campaign and served later in France.

Population of New Zealand is 1,536,000, of whom 143,000 lives in the capital, Wellington.

NETHERLANDS TO WIPE NAZIS FROM TRADE SLATE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Domei).—British warships, scattered over the seven seas, have completely swept the German merchant marine from the seas.

Over 800 German steamers are tied up in neutral ports, eating nearly £500,000 a month of Germany's slender gold reserves.

British gold is helping to defeat Hitlerism.

It is buying American planes and American munitions on a colossal scale.

It is financing the war at the rate of £6,000,000 a day.

It is encircling Germany with a ring of neutrals bound, not alone in sentiment against Nazism, but in trade pacts which offer much more for their goods than Germany can offer.

Rumania, Turkey, Yugo-Slavia, Greece, Denmark.

Now the Netherlands is preparing to conclude a trade pact with Britain which will monopolise practically her entire foreign trade, according to informed quarters.

£100,000,000 A Year

Negotiations for the new Anglo-Dutch pact have reached the stage where it is believed that the agreement will shortly be signed.

Holland's exports are valued at £100,000,000 per annum.

Netherlands East Indies' exports, comprising mainly sugar, tin, rubber and oil, total about £50,000,000 per annum.

Meanwhile, Holland's treaty of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement with Japan expires on July 31, and negotiations are to start between the two countries for another treaty.

Mr. William Yinson Lee, who has just returned from a month's visit to Manila, will be the speaker at next Thursday's luncheon meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club at St. Francis Hotel, his subject being "The Chinese and the Philippines."

Maybe This Is Why—

BIG DUTCH SHIP SUNK

Nazi U-Boat Sinks Neutral Liner

ROTTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The 6,853-ton Holland America liner, Burgerdijk, has been torpedoed by a German U-boat, according to a cable received by the owners from the Captain of the Dutch steamer.

The Holland-America Line have informed the Dutch Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the torpedoing of the Burgerdijk.

The pretext for the torpedoing of the ship is not clear.

It is learned that the vessel was nine-tenths laden, with goods destined for the Dutch Government, including a quantity of grain. The remaining one-tenth consisted of piece-goods for individual Dutch importers.

The vessel was bound for Rotterdam and did not plan to touch a foreign port, so there could be no question of contraband.

The affair is regarded here as an even more flagrant violation of International Law than the recent torpedoing of the motorship, Arendskerk, which was carrying non-contraband goods to South Africa.

This is the 13th ship lost by Holland during the war and the third torpedoed.

SOVIET IS AROUSED

Moscow Anger Against Allied "Aggression"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Feb. 12 (UP).—The Soviet Press has renewed its charges against the Allies, accusing them of seeking to spread the European conflict.

"American capitalists are also awaiting a convenient moment to enter the second imperialistic war, "Izvestia" says.

The paper added that the Red Army "will fulfil its fighting task with increased stubbornness and bravery.

"When the bourgeoise countries decide to attack the Soviet Union they will be convinced that the Red Army enjoys numberless friends and allies in all corners of the world, from Shanghai to New York and from London to Calcutta.

"Red Star," the Army organ, and "Trud" the Trades Union organ, as well as the official "Tass" news agency, join in the comment on foreign developments.

Waiting Opportunity

"The United States has not yet entered the second imperialistic war," says "Trud" in an editorial.

"The American capitalists are simply waiting their opportunity. Meanwhile, they are earning tremendous profits from the sale of arms which are preparing the ground."

"Tass" reported the Roosevelt speech to the American Youth Congress on Sunday, in which the President attacked the Soviet. The news agency, however, did not report the text of the speech but simply quoted "press despatches from Washington."

It claimed that the 4,000 delegates to the Youth Congress reacted coldly to the President's speech, especially when he attacked the Soviet Union.

New Russo-German Pact

Nazis Help To Put Up Factories

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A new German trade agreement providing for a total turnover of 1,000,000,000 marks was signed in Moscow during the week-end, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraaf."

The correspondent learns that German industry will erect a whole series of factories in Russia in exchange for deliveries of raw materials and food-stuffs.

The factories will include works for large scale production of artificial rubber.

It is believed that goods which Russia will send to Germany will include large quantities of grain, ore, and petroleum.

Neutral observers are of the opinion that transport difficulties may form a great obstacle to the fulfilment of the agreement.

Reds Sign Pact With Germans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is officially announced from Moscow that the Russo-German Trade Pact has been signed, following seven weeks' negotiations in Berlin and Moscow.

The pact is believed to provide for the reciprocal delivery of goods totalling 1,000 million Reichsmarks in value.

The German deliveries will consist of machinery and industrial products while the Russian deliveries will be chiefly oil, ores, fodder and naptha.

It is understood that Germany will provide the entire plant for the manufacture of artificial rubber and also a quantity of modern oil refining equipment.

The construction of these works in Russia will be under German engineers and specialists.

LATEST

U-Boat Meets Its Masters

LISBON, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is believed that a German submarine was destroyed when a French and British destroyer dropped depth bombs ten miles off Cascaes yesterday. The submarine was attacking the British freighter Oregon.

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FINNISH CITY WIPED OUT BY RED ARTILLERY

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The furious Russian pressure on the Mannerheim Line, which has now been maintained for twelve days, appears to be increasing rather than diminishing.

Although there is no sign of the Finnish defences, weakening, the strain on the defenders is obviously becoming great.

A communique issued to-night makes clear that the short front at Summa—seven or eight miles wide—is being attacked by several Soviet divisions at once. Thus from 30,000 to 50,000 men are being thrown against the Finnish defences in this sector.

It is reported that some Russian troops are using metal shields about two feet wide for their advance in the snow.

An eye-witness states that Finnish block-houses and forts at the Summa front are standing up remarkably well to the tremendous hail of artillery fire to which they have been subjected during the past two weeks.

The Finns are fighting bravely but cautiously.

Meanwhile, somewhere in the interior of the country, Finland's Foreign Legion is undergoing intensive training to relieve the men at the front as early as possible.

Summa Obliterated

An official communique on the Finnish war states that the Russian attack on Summa is continuing even more violently than before.

Heavy Russian losses are mentioned. These losses include the total on all fronts of over 1,000 killed and 73 tanks destroyed.

The communique adds that several enemy divisions attacked in the Summa sector on February 11, supported by artillery, tanks and aeroplanes.

At the same time, the enemy attacked between Muolnjaervi and Vuoksen, supported by 150 tanks.

Fighting continued near Taipale, the enemy attacking after four hours of preparatory artillery bombardment. The attack was repulsed.

The enemy tried to surround the positions on the Gulf of Finland and on Lake Ladoga by crossing the ice,

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HUNGARIAN LEGION

Men Carry Their Own Equipment To Finland

TOULON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A party of 150 Hungarian volunteers for Finland left France for Scandinavia to-day. They are carrying equipment with them.

No British volunteers have gone to Finland as yet, stated Finnish circles in London to-day. Many had applied and filled in forms, however.

U.S. Sympathy

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—While Finland welcomes President Roosevelt's announcement in his speech to the American Youth Citizenship Institute that 98 per cent. of the United States sympathy is with the Finns, the only mention of the speech in Russia consists of a short New York despatch to the "Tass" official Soviet news agency.

This despatch merely quotes certain American papers to the effect that the speech was coolly received.

No "Apostles Of Peace"

ZURICH, Feb. 12. (Reuter).—"In the view of the Wilhelmstrasse, Germany is not prepared, at the moment, to act as an apostle of peace between Russia and Finland," states the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," who adds that stress is placed on the words "at the moment."

Great attention is being paid in Berlin to Soviet Russia's need for prestige.

It is thought that if the constantly renewed Soviet attacks on the Karelian Isthmus should achieve even

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1,000 PLANES A MONTH FROM U.S. FACTORIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Within the next four weeks, the American aviation industry will commence mass delivery of 1,000 planes per month, on order by the United States and foreign governments.

A "United Press" survey reveals that the industry is now engaged in the greatest mass production era in its history.

Aviation plants are everywhere working to capacity in 24-hour shifts.

British and French orders for 1,450 combat planes have already been filled, but the factories still must complete production of additional 7,700 planes for U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and foreign purchasers.

The foreign orders are nearly all from Britain or France.

They have paid for delivery of a total of 5,000 planes, of which total only 1,100 have so far been delivered.

Internal defence orders are for 4,450 aircraft, of which only about 350 have been delivered.

Foreign nations have paid for armaments worth U.S.$204,000,000, of which 96 per cent. are aircraft.

French purchases total $121,000,000 and British $21,000,00?.

400 GERMAN STEAMERS WATCHED BY THE NAVY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Some four hundred German ships are now tied up in neutral ports throughout the world, testimony to the vigilance of the British Navy.

Harbour dues alone represent a staggering burden for German shipowners.

It is estimated here that it is costing Germany £350,000 a month for harbour dues alone. In addition, there are the wages of the crew and the maintenance of the vessels.

The crippling cost of meeting these [illegible] explains the recent tendency of German ships to slip out of harbours and take their chances on a zig-zag run homewards.

The practice of neutral countries regarding overdue harbour charges appears to vary, but most countries have reserved the right to seize and auction any ship to cover these charges.

It has frequently been suggested that the British authorities take a lively interest in these auctions as an opportunity for acquiring ships cheaply.

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Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Australia and Manila .....Feb. 13.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 3rd Feb. Feb. 13.
Java and Manila .....Feb. 13.
Manila .....Feb. 13.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th January) .....Feb. 13.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 7th Feb. Feb. 14.
Canton .....Feb. 14.
Shanghai .....Feb. 14.
Canton .....Feb. 15.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 9th Dec., 1939) .....Feb. 15.
Manila .....Feb. 15.
Straits .....Feb. 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 20th January). Feb. 15.

OUTWARD MAILS
Tuesday, Feb. 13

Haiphong .....1 p.m.
Amoy .....2.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard .....2.30 p.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only) ....3.30 p.m.
Saigon .....6.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 21st Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 13, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 19th Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 13, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu
G. P. O. and K. P. O.
Reg. .....Feb. 13, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco, (No Parcels for Canada) —due San Francisco, 1st March.
K.P.O.
Parcels .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 14, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 10.30 a.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels .....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 14, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 10.30 a.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 14
Bangkok .....8.30 a.m.
Ford Bayard and Hoihow ..1.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Province only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 22nd Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg .....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 14, 7 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th March—and London Parcels—due London, 20th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Parcels .....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 15, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Thursday, Feb. 15
Canton .....7.15 a.m.
Sandakan .....12.30 p.m.
Shanghai .....12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard .....2.30 p.m.
Haiphong .....3 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 16
Amoy .....8.30 a.m.
Tourane .....8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 28th February.
K.P.O.
Parcels, ...Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels, ...Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg. .....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only) ...12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—Due San Francisco, 23rd February
K.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Feb. 17, 7.30 a.m.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE (opposite the lower Peak Tram Station) on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1940, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and Wednesday, the 6th March, 1940, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's office, Stock Exchange Building, Ice House Street, at NOON on THURSDAY, the 22nd February, 1940, but intending exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as early as possible.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscriptions and ALL THOSE who wish to join the Society are requested to send $5.00 to the undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1940.

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Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before Wednesday, 21st February, 1940, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs:—Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on the 17th February, 1940.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

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Parcels For War Internees

ONE vast room in St. James's Palace, given over to the Red Cross, to-day looks like a grocer's shop, with tablets of soap, tins of food-stuffs, slabs of chocolate and drums of cigarettes standing in rows and pyramids and symmetrical piles on shelves.

Three times a fortnight one 11lb. parcel, made of goods drawn from these stores, goes to every British prisoner of war in Germany and every interned civilian.

Originally they went by air to Paris, from Paris to the International Red Cross Headquarters in Geneva, and thence to Berlin for redispatch to the internment camps.

Now, as the postal route through Belgium is open, they go direct. It takes about a fortnight between dispatch and receipt—"Very good indeed," said an official.

Packing is done by 20 volunteer women workers, not all of whom are on duty at the same time.

The parcels vary in content, but every one contains a tin of cigarettes and a tablet of soap.

Once a quarter relatives are allowed to send individual parcels to prisoners of war. These are also sent by the Red Cross organisation.

R.A.F. PRISONER

Special facilities have been devised for airmen—the only Service which, so far, has lost any prisoners of war.

Immediately on receipt of news an overcoat and two blankets (issued by the Air Ministry), a small parcel of food and a package of "medical comforts"—dressings, iodine, invalid food, cough mixture, etc.—are sent to the prisoner. These go direct from Geneva, which, in turn, is supplied from London.

The average parcel contains:

1 box cheese	kidney
1 tin margarine	1 tin herrings
1 slab chocolate	1 tin curry
3 assorted soup squares	1 tin Bournvita
½lb. sugar	¼lb. tea
1 tin honey	1 tin milk
1 tin steak and	1 tablet soap
	1 tin cigarettes

For Rawalpindi Men

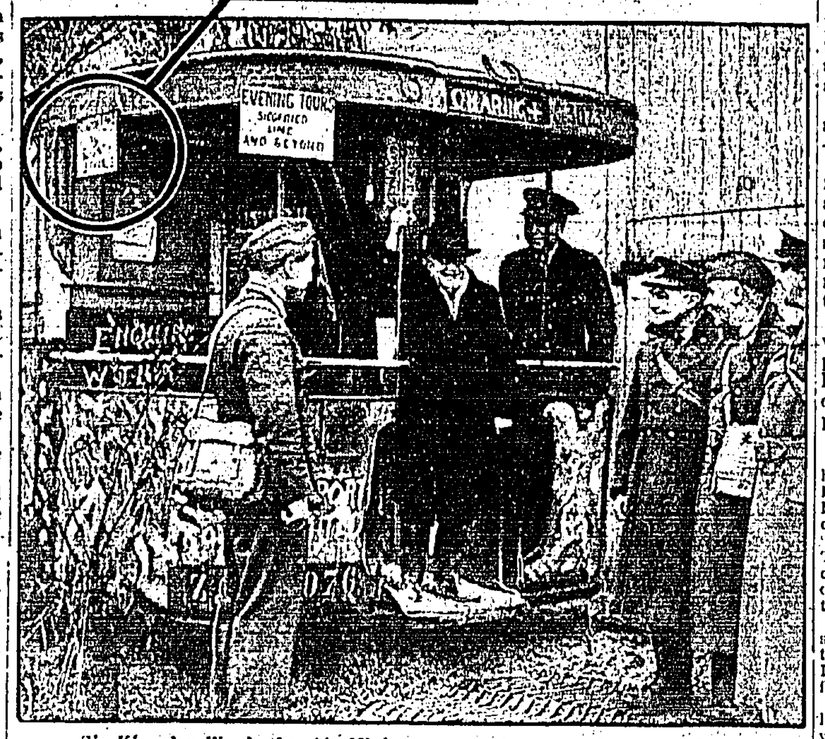
Biscuits, sausages, coffee essence, marmalade, canned soup, stew, jam vegetable salad in tins, sardines, vegetable and meat essences—the changes are rung as frequently as possible.

More and more items are being added. Latest recruits are a blackcurrant puree and halibut liver oil.

In a room piled with bales and stacks of supplies are parcels ready to go to Germany for the survivors of the Rawalpindi as soon as it is known where they are.

Here also are bales destined for Lascar seamen, who, tropic-born suffer bitterly from cold in their "prison"—a ship moored off the Baltic port of Bremen.

Lord Clarendon, who is in supreme command of this service has already paid public tribute to the manner in which the German authorities pass along the things sent out.



Sir Kingsley Wood, the Air Minister, added that bright smile of his to airmen's decorations of a French bus when he visited Royal Air Force units.

Aged Scientist Helps Win War

FROM dusk to dawn in every British naval base and harbour there is an unceasing flashing of signal lamps as ship talks to ship and to shore.

Anybody, friend or foe, can see the messages and read them—if they know the code.

Sir Ambrose Fleming, the famous scientist, has invented, at the age of 90, a simple and cheap spy-proof lamp, the signals from which can only be read by the specially equipped receiver for whom they are intended.

Sir Ambrose, inventor of the valve that made broadcasting practicable, demonstrated the lamp to J. D. S. Alan, the *Sunday Dispatch* Aviation Correspondent.

Pencil Of Light

Sir Ambrose, agile and certain in his actions despite his years, took the lamp and directed a fine pencil of light at my eye from the opposite end of a corridor.

I looked through a small tube. The light took a dark colour, then changed to steady white dot-and-dash flashes as Sir Ambrose operated the shutter of the lamp.

If that pencil of light had been surrounded by code readers and spies, they would have seen nothing. Only I with the tube could detect the flashing of the Morse code.

If spies were very close to the lamp they would see only unbroken white light.

The invention may prove of inestimable value to the Services and the Mercantile Marine, providing, as it does, a spy-proof method of signalling over short distances.

"Polarised" Light

The secret of Sir Ambrose's lamp is "polarised" light.

Light consists in vibrations. In ordinary light these take place in all directions. Polarised light looks just the same to the naked eye, but the vibrations are, in fact, confined to a single plane.

The projector sends out a beam of polarised light. For the dots and dashes of the message it changes this momentarily to ordinary light.

The naked eye cannot detect the difference. The casual observer sees nothing but a steady unwinking glow.

The special receiving instrument, however, filters the polarised light and makes it appear darker and of a different colour. On top of this the message stands out in separate flashes of white.

"I was called in by the late Lord Fisher," said Sir Ambrose, "to advise on this method of signalling in the last war.

Admiralty Know

"It was possible to use polarised light, but the crystals available were so small, rare and expensive that a simple projector and receiver would have cost hundreds of pounds.

"Now the complete apparatus can be made in large numbers for a few pounds.

"The range of this secret signalling is limited to a few miles by the curvature of the earth. A lamp on a mast would have a wider range in proportion to the height of the mast.

"I have kept the Admiralty fully advised about this lamp."

Donald Not A Spy

—OFFICIAL

DONALD DUCK and his nephews whose antics on Page 3 delight "Telegraph" readers, are all under the watchful eye of Ministry of Information.

Cinema audiences in England have been laughing at the film "Sea Scouts," which features the famous Donald and his three duckling nephews having the most incredible adventures with the shark and a little boat—and laughing started before the film.

That was because, in addition to the usual film censor's certificate, the film was heralded with the words "Complying with the requirements of the Ministry of Information."

The idea of the bellicose Donald having any possible connection with the war has tickled Britain immensely.

The words have been deleted from the censor's certificate of all future films.

"We have dropped the Ministry of Information bit out now," said the Ministry of Information recently, "because we realised that on certain pictures it would look silly.

"The labels were printed before the war as an emergency measure. It is news to us that Donald Duck has received such a certificate."

Duce's Spanish Volunteers Want to Fight for Finns

Rome.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI, anxious at the westward spread of Bolshevism, is adopting towards the Finns' struggle much the same attitude as he did towards the Spanish civil war.

Officially there are no Italian volunteers going to Finland—but I understand that young officers have been asked privately if they are willing to volunteer, says a correspondent.

Members of Italy's Death's Head battalion—the Arditi, who have taken an oath never to retreat—have offered again to take up the fight against the Soviets which they dropped less than a year ago in Spain.

Italy, struggling as she is to build up her front line strength, has few planes to spare for the Finns. But under a pre-war contract a total of 150 scouts and bombers are now believed to have been delivered to Finland from Italy.

Italian mechanics and test pilots are said to be acting as instructors to the Finnish Air Force. Because of the Soviet blockade, any further deliveries would be made direct by air across Germany.

The Rome Press to-day makes it clear that Finland is fighting a war in the north for a cause that is very nearly Italy's own.

Obituary

Noted Army Figure

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Major-General Sir John Moore, the famous Army Veterinary Surgeon.

Born in 1864, Sir John served at Dongola in 1896, winning a medal as well as the Khedive's Medal. He also served in the South African War, 1899-1900, when he was mentioned in despatches and won the Queen's medal (three clasps). He was promoted Veterinary Major.

Becoming a Lieutenant-Colonel in 1906 and Colonel in 1913, he served throughout the European War in France and Flanders as Director of Veterinary Services of the B.E.F. He was again mentioned in despatches and, as a result of his services, was created C.B. and K.C.M.G. in 1919, having been promoted Major-General in 1918 and made an Officer of the Legion of Honour.

After the war, he became Director of the Veterinary Services in India, holding the post from 1919 to 1921. He was Col. Commdt. of the R.A.V.C. from 1932 to 1934.

In 1903, he married Adelaide Mary, daughter of the late Benjamin Murphy, of Prior Park, Clonmel. They have three daughters.

Purchasers Cease Work

ROME, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The activities of various foreign purchasing committees in Italy, including the British, have been suspended and may not be resumed for some months, it is learned in a reliable quarter.

These committees have been in almost constant session since the outbreak of war. The staffs of the commercial sections of the Embassies of the countries concerned have been doubled, and even trebled, in connection with his work.

The question has been asked whether the visit of Dr. Clodius, the German economic expert, is connected in any way with the suspension. Dr. Clodius expects to remain in Rome for another week.

Details Of Trade Pact

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A White Paper on the Anglo-Turkish Trade Agreement made in London on February 3 was issued to-day.

The agreement comes into force on February 19, will remain in force in the first place until March 3, 1941, and will continue to remain in force subsequently for successive periods of one year unless terminated by either government at three months' notice.

The agreement provides that all United Kingdom exports to Turkey and all Turkish exports to the United Kingdom will be subject to compensation transactions.

The value of goods exported in compensation to Turkey shall not exceed 80 per cent. of the value of goods exported in compensation from Turkey.

Latvia's Decision

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The decision of the Latvian Government to send a trade mission to London shortly is welcomed by the British authorities who have been desirous of adding the three Baltic states to the list of neutral nations with whom Britain is conducting special conversations to enlarge war-time trade.

Latvia now becomes the first of these countries to send a trade mission to London.

Having regard to the difficult position in which these countries find themselves as between Germany and Russia, the Latvian Government's decision is regarded as most encouraging.

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Nazis Justify Ruthlessness

Britain's Control Of Seas Blamed

LONDON, Feb. 12 (British Wireless).—Indications are growing that the need is being increasingly felt in Germany to justify to the German people the indiscriminate sinking of neutral shipping, of which 342,357, tons have now fallen victim to enemy mines and submarines.

While Dr. Goebbels' organisation claims that Germany is master of the whole of the North Sea, the "Deutsche Allgemaine Zeitung" yesterday sought to justify Nazi methods of warfare against neutral ships by a frank confession that it is Britain's control of the seas that justifies defiance of all the accepted tenets of international law.

The newspaper says: "As this means of modern war enables a state to be master of her territorial waters in nearly the same sense as she can be master of her land territories, it is impossible for Germany to accomplish a blockade or trade war near to the England coast in accordance with prize law."

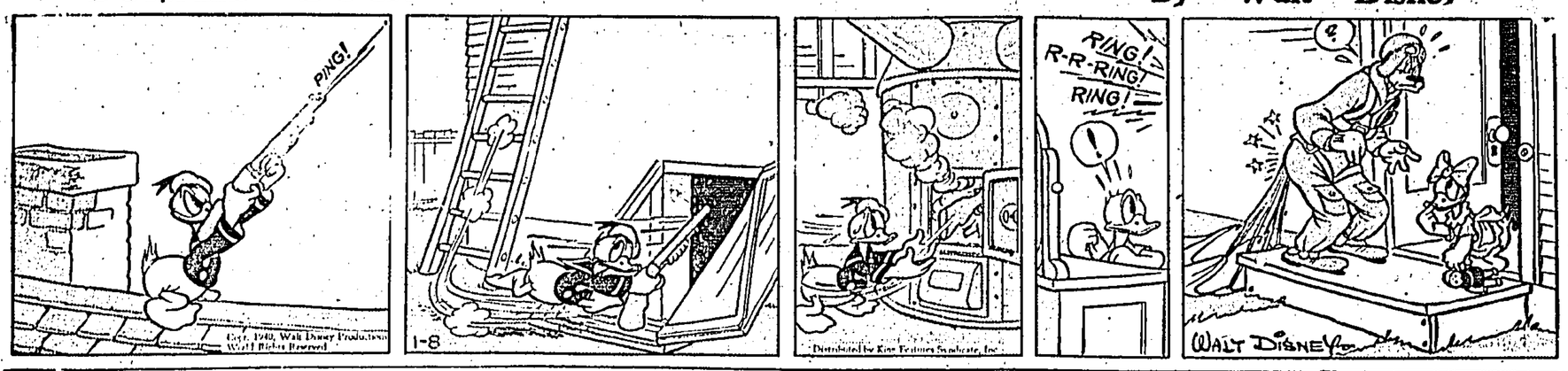
Neutral shipping is compared by the newspaper to a bus running between the Maginot and Siegfried Lines. Finding that "this thought introduces quite a new conception of international law," it pleads for the evolution of a new code to replace all existing international laws, and designed, it would appear, to give legal authority to ruthlessness.

Hecht On Grand Larceny Charge

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—Rudolph Hecht, who has instituted a million dollar suit against the Universal Trading Corporation, has been arrested on a home indictment, charging him in a grand larceny suit pending since 1935. Details of the suit have not been revealed, but the Attorney General's office says that the charge has arisen from stock-promoting activities.

The Pennsylvania authorities have also issued a warrant for the arrest of Hecht, but no details are revealed.

DONALD DUCK By Walt Disney



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When To Say "I Do"—

By Bride of 17, Groom of 70

"SEVENTEEN isn't too early to marry," says Jean, who lives in a Cardiff suburb. "Seventy isn't too old, either," says Joe, who lives at the opposite end of Cardiff.

Both of them got married next week-end.

Jean Moss, brown-haired and dainty, wed 21-year-old Cyril Sherwood, an electrician.

Joe Osborne's bride was Mrs. Minnie Greeley, aged 59, the widow of his best friend.

Here is the story of their romances, and what they think of age limits:

Jean

"It all began in a small dance-hall. I met Cyril there.

"I was only 14 then. We have been sweethearts since. He is engaged in the manufacture of armatures for dynamos.

"I think people ought to marry young and that we are wise in getting married now. We can be happier being youthful. Mother wondered at first whether I should wait for a year or two, but we see no use in waiting.

"Although my boy is in a reserved occupation he may be called up. If he is he will be happier, knowing he has a home of his own to defend.

"I am already a very good cook."

Jean lives in Ty Fry-road, Rumney.

Joe

Mrs. Greeley spoke for Joe, who had left his home in Ely to work on an adjoining estate.

"Does he think 70 is too old for marriage? Bless you, no. He's very excited about it.

"Mr. Osborne was my husband's best friend. I have known him for 30 years. He used to live next door to us when my husband was alive. He was married, too, but his wife died.

"I have children—my eldest is 35. Mr. Osborne has no children. He used to nurse my youngest on his knee and say playfully, 'I wish you were mine.'

"Well, he has his wish. When you are old you get very lonely. Our marriage will end all that."

THIS GIRL HAD EYES FOR QUEEN

WHILE the Queen talked to Mrs. V. H. Warren, with her dog Bobbin (left) the little girl had eyes for no one but Her Majesty, who later inspected the 1st Bosham Girl Guides.

Wool To Pay Nation's Debt

£50,000,000 Gain From Sheep's Back

LONDON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Australia intends to use proceeds from her wool clip to meet a heavy sterling debt payment in London during the next few years, according to reports reaching London to-day.

During the next eight years Australia must redeem or convert about £50,000,000 sterling in debts, including £18,500,000 falling due before the end of 1943. She has sold her wool clip to the United Kingdom—apart from the small proportion needed by Australian mills—which means she will receive £50,000,000 sterling in proceeds this year, compared with last season's £30,000,000 sterling.

Most of this sum must be repatriated to pay growers for their wool, but the Commonwealth government plans to leave in London the difference between receipts for the old clip and receipts for the new. If present plans to sell merino wool at high prices succeeds then the Commonwealth's sterling surplus will considerably exceed £11,000,000.

FURTHER PROOF OF STRENGTH

WELLINGTON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Announcing the arrival of the Anzacs in Egypt, the Hon. Mr. Peter Fraser, Minister of Marine, said that the Royal Navy has again demonstrated its protective strength in the safe conveyance of troops from Empire out-posts. The troops were escorted by British, Australian and New Zealand warships.

U.S. TO CONSTRUCT BIGGEST BOMBERS

NEW "air dreadnoughts" planned for the United States will, it is expected, be twice the size of the U.S. Army's present "flying fortresses."

It is stated in reliable quarters at Washington that army officials have filed with the Budget Bureau a request for about £1,000,000 to build five planes of this type.

It is understood that they are designed to have greater speed and range than any military bombing planes known to exist.

They will, it is reported, weigh about 70,000 pounds without bomb loads, as compared with the 38,000 pounds of the present biggest bombers, and each plane will have four motors of 2,000 horsepower or over, compared with four motors of 1,000 horse-power at present.

The U.S. Army has had under construction for some time a superfortress of the air, to weigh about 150,000 pounds.

This plane is being hurried to completion in a special hangar of the Douglas Aircraft Company at Santa Monica, California. No other planes of this type will be built until the present one has been thoroughly tested.

Experience gained in the construction of this air giant will be used in building the five new bombers.

A 42 cylinder aeroplane engine, said to be capable of lifting an aeroplane vertically into the air, is being developed secretly in the United States, according to a report presented at the convention of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers at Philadelphia.

The report stated that this new liquid-cooled engine "might possibly be able to sustain a speed of 400 miles an hour."

An important aviation official who attended the convention told the New York Times that the motor, which was a closely guarded Government secret, could be used to equip pursuit planes, as it was designed to withstand terrific speed.

He declared that the engine would be of 4,000 horse-power.

The largest aeroplane engines now in use have only 18 cylinders, although one of 24 cylinders was on view at the New York World's Fair.—*Reuter.*

Baltic Military Chiefs Meet

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Interest was aroused here by the visit of the Latvian Chief of Staff, General Berkis, to the Esthonian Chief of Staff, General Laidoner.

A Tallinn correspondent of Stockholm's "Tidningen" states that the visit is a sign of the determination of the Baltic States to defend themselves and their independence.

Secrets of Naval Dramas Revealed

25 SEA HEROES ARE HONOURED

AS COMMANDER Richard Frank Jolly lay mortally wounded on the bridge of the destroyer Mohawk in the Germans' first big air raid—on the Firth of Forth—he said: "Leave me—go and look after the others."

Commander Jolly insisted on seeing his ship back to her berth. Five hours later he died.

The official story of his heroism was given in a "heroes' supplement" of the London Gazette, which announced the posthumous award to him of the medal of the Military Division of the O.B.E.

The Gazette supplement also an nounced that ten other destroyer commanders and one submarine commander win the D.S.O., while thirteen (including the skippers of a trawler and a drifter) win the D.S.C.

Seven other destroyer commanders receive mentions in despatches.

The supplement does not say for what these men receive their awards. But it is almost certain that the twelve D.S.O.s are for definitely established successful actions against U-boats while on convoy and patrol duties.

The thirteen D.S.C.s are believed to cover minesweeping and convoy actions, as well as probably effective actions against submarines.

Eight of the destroyers mentioned were veterans of the last war.

Besides Commander Jolly, who was forty-three, one other officer and thirteen men of the Mohawk lost their lives in the Firth of Forth air attack.

This is the first official story of the commander who clung to life until his ship was home, as told by the London Gazette recently:—

"Commander Jolly's gallantry consisted of the bringing of his ship into harbour when he himself was mortally wounded.

"H.M.S. Mohawk had been attacked by an enemy aircraft and had suffered a large number of casualties.

Orders Relayed

"Commander Jolly, who was on the bridge, was severely wounded in the stomach, but refused to leave the bridge or allow himself to be attended to; he continued to direct the Mohawk for a thirty-five-mile passage home, which lasted one hour and twenty minutes.

"He was too weak for his orders to be heard, but these were repeated by his wounded navigating officer.

"He was repeatedly invited to go down to receive medical attention, but he refused, saying, 'Leave me—go and look after the others.'

"Having brought his ship into port, Commander Jolly rang off the main engine and immediately collapse. He died five hours after being landed."

The captain of the flotilla reports as follows:—

"The behaviour of the ship's company in the face of the casualties and damage was of a high standard. This is what I should have expected of Commander Jolly's ship. Commander Jolly was an imperturbable commander, of careful judgment, who devoted his energies to perfecting his ship and ship's company for battle. His fearlessness and honesty in counsel were remarkable, and he proved his bravery and devotion to his wounded men when for a long period he manoeuvred his ship despite a mortal wound."

The medal of the O.B.E. is awarded to Petty Officer Harry George Frederick Hazelgrove and Leading Seaman Donald Albert Dodimead, both of the Mohawk.

Others of the Mohawk's crew mentioned in despatches are: Lieutenant Denis Guy Douglas Hall-Wright; Lieutenant Alfred Lee Harper, navigating officer; P.O. Ernest Edward Lethbridge; Acting Electrical Artificer Reginald Thomas Simmons; Sick Berth Attendant Geoffrey Lucas Blomfield; A.B. Thomas Henry Benson; Leading Stoker Leslie Herbert Painter; Boy Richard Owen Ayton.

6d. Sweepstake

The Gazette supplement reveals the names of the first submarine heroes.

The submarine, it is revealed, was the Spearfish. The commander was Lieutenant John Henry Eaden. He is awarded the D.S.O.

As shattering explosions shook the Spearfish's hull and all lights went out, compressed air began to leak, the Spearfish's crew ran 6d. sweepstakes on when and where each new explosion would take place.

The Gazette supplement said that awards to her commander and ten of her crew were for "courage, seamanship, and resolution in bringing their ship safe home after many prolonged and violent attacks which almost put her out of action."

Chief Engine-room Artificer Stanley N. Peel and Petty Officer Alfred P. Blackmore receive the Distinguished Service Medal.

"These two men," says the official record, "were specially commended by their commanding officer for their conduct at the time of the main explosion which damaged the submarine and later when making good defects."

The other members of the crew awarded mentions in despatches, are:—

Lieutenant Donald Anthony Pirie, executive officer; Mr. Frank Holden Westnutt, warrant engineer; Petty Officer Telegraphist Edward C. Carlton; Engine-room Artificer 3rd class Jack M. Smith; James W. Smith, leading stoker; Alfred Backers, leading stoker; Ernest G. Morey, able seaman.

The full list of the other new awards is as follows:—

D.S.O.

Captain Arthur George Talbot, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Inglefield.

Captain George Hector Creswell, D.S.C., R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S Afridi.

Captain Randolph Stewart Gresham Nicholson, D.S.C., R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Somali.

Captain Charles Saumarez Daniel, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Faulknor.

Captain Richard Stoddart Benson, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Exmouth.

Commander Edward Albert Gibbs, R.N., H.M.S. Fortune.

Commander Stanley Herbert King Spurgeon, R.A.N., H.M.S. Echo.

Lieut.-Commander Eric Langton Woodhall, M.V.O., R.N., H.M.S. Eclipse.

Lieut.-Commander Richard Iwan Alexander Sarell, R.N., H.M.S. Broke.

Lieut.-Commander Phillip Somerville, R.N., H.M.S. Kingston.

Lieutenant George David Archibald Gregory, R.N., H.M. Submarine Sturgeon.

Mentioned In Despatches

Commander Henry Alexander King, R.N., H.M.S. Kashmir.

Commander Philip Norman Walter, R.N., H.M.S. Fame.

Lieut.-Commander John, Malcolm Rodgers, R.N., H.M.S. Whirlwind.

Lieut.-Commander Hugh Gartside-Tippinge, R.N., H.M.S. Volunteer.

Lieut.-Commander Walter John Phipps, R.N., H.M.S. Woolston.

Lieut.-Commander Philip Henry Hadow, R.N., H.M.S. Foxhound.

Lieut.-Commander Richard John Hullis Couch, R.N., H.M.S. Esk.

D.S.C.

Commander Eric Barry Kenyon Stevens, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Imogen.

Commander Basil Jones, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Ivanhoe.

Commander Jack Grant Bickford, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Express.

Commander John William Josselyn, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Intrepid.

Commander Christopher Theodore Jellicoe, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Winchelsea.

Lieutenant-Commander Philip Lionel Saumarez, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Ilex.

Lieutenant - Commander Stephen Hugh Norris, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Firedrake.

Lieutenant-Commander Edward Bernard Tancock, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Forester.

Lieutenant - Commander William Frederick Eyre Hussey, R.N., Commanding officer, H.M.S. Vesper.

Lieutenant - Commander Anthony Frank Burnell-Nugent, R.N., Commanding officer, H.M.S. Walpole.

Lieutenant-Commander the Honourable John Montagu Granville Waldegrave, R.N., Commanding officer, H.M.S. Puffin.

Chief Skipper David Forbes Noble, R.N.R., H.M. trawler Cayton Wyke.

Chief Skipper Harry Leonard Lang, R.D., R.N.R., H.M. drifter Loch Tulla.

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12.30 **Henry Jacques and His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.**

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 **Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Les Allen (Vocal).**—She Came From Alsace Lorraine, Don't Save Your Smiles, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain; Afraid to Dream, The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot, Les Allen (Vocal) with Piano; If The Old River Thames Were The Danube, Whoops We Go Again, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain; I'll Stand By, Les Allen and His Canadian Bachelors with Novelty Accompaniment; Dear Little Boy of Mine, Les Allen (Vocal) with Sidney Torch at the Organ; Wooden Shoes, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 **Mozart—Concerto in C Minor.**—Edwin Fischer (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Lawrance Collingwood.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 **Compositions of Ravel.**—Trois beaux oiseaux de Paradis, The Lyons Mixed Chorus conducted by Leon Vietti; Daphnis and Chloe—Symphonique Suite, Walther Straram Orchestra conducted by Philippe Gaubert; Piece En Forme D'Habanera, Joseph Szigeti (Violin) with Nikita de Magaloff at the Piano; Jeux D'Eau, Alfred Cortot (Piano).

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 **Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance."**—What Shall I Do?, Derek Oldham; Climbing Over Rocky Mountain, Nellie Briercliffe, Nellie Walker and Chorus of Girls; Stop, Ladies, Pray, Nellie Briercliffe, Nellie Walker, Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls; Oh! Is There Not One Maiden Breast, Derek Oldham, Elsie Griffin and Chorus of Girls; Oh, Men of Dark and Dismal Fate, George Baker and Full Chorus; You May Go, for You're at Liberty, Full Company; Now For The Pirates' Lair and When You Had Left Our Pirate Fold, Derek Oldham, Peter Dawson and Dorothy Gill; Away, Away! My Heart's On Fire, Dorothy Gill, Derek Oldham and Peter Dawson; All Is Prepared! and Stay, Fred'ric, Stay! Elsie Griffin and Derek Oldham.

7.00 **A Light Spanish Programme.**—Seven Popular Spanish Songs, Conchita Supervia (Mezzo Soprano) with Piano Accomp. by Frank Marshall; Puerta De Tierra—Bolero, Aragon—Fantasia, Orquesta Sevilla; Torna Piccina, Tito Schipa (Tenor)—with Orchestra; Cordoba, Evocacion, Arthur Rubinstein (Piano); El Adios—Tango, Paciencia—Tango, Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro with Vocal Refrain.

7.30 **London Relay—The News.**

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 **Saint-Saens—Concerto in G Minor, Op. 22.**—Arthur De Greef (Piano) and New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

8.28 **Compositions of Sibelius.**—Berceuse, Musette from King Christian Suite, Royal Opera House Orchestra; Stockholm; Humoresque, Henri Temianka (Violin) and the Temianka Chamber Orchestra; Finlandia—Tone Poem, Op. 26, No. 7, Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra; Flickan Kom Ifran Sin Alskiings Mote, Sav, Sav, Susa, Op. 36, No. 4, Marian Anderson (Contralto) with Piano; Karelia Suite—Alla Marcia, Symphony Orchestra cond. by Robert Kajanus.

9.00 **Vaughan Williams—Serenade to Music.**—Sir Henry Wood conducting the B.B.C. Orchestra, Soloists, —I. Baillie, S. Allen, E. Suddaby, E. Turner, M. Balfour, A. Desmond, M. Brunskill, M. Jarred, H. Nash, W. Widdop, P. Jones, F. Titterton, R. Henderson, R. Easton, H. Williams, and N. Allin.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 **Reginald Foort at the Organ.**—By The Blue Hawaiian Waters—Selection, The Vision of Fuji-San—Selection, A Day's Hunting, At The Hunt Ball.

10.00 **Variety with Renate Muller, "Fats" Waller, Tessie O'Shea, "Hutch" and the New Mayfair Orchestra.**—Just Because I Lost My Heart To You, To-day I Feel So Happy, Renate Muller (Soprano) with Two Pianos and Violin; Organ—Deep River, Go Down Moses, "Fats" Waller; Two Ton Tessie, Oh! Freddie, Tessie O'Shea; "Evergreen"—Selection, New Mayfair Orchestra; The Moon Remembered But You Forgot "Hutch" (Leslie Hutchinson); "Twenty Million Sweethearts" Selection, New Mayfair Orchestra.

10.30 **Dance Music.**

11.00 **London Relay—"In England Now."**—Talks by a Naval Rating from H.M.S. Ajax and Mr. E. G. Johnson, a Jeweller in Wartime.

11.15 Close Down.

LOCAL PROGRAMMES

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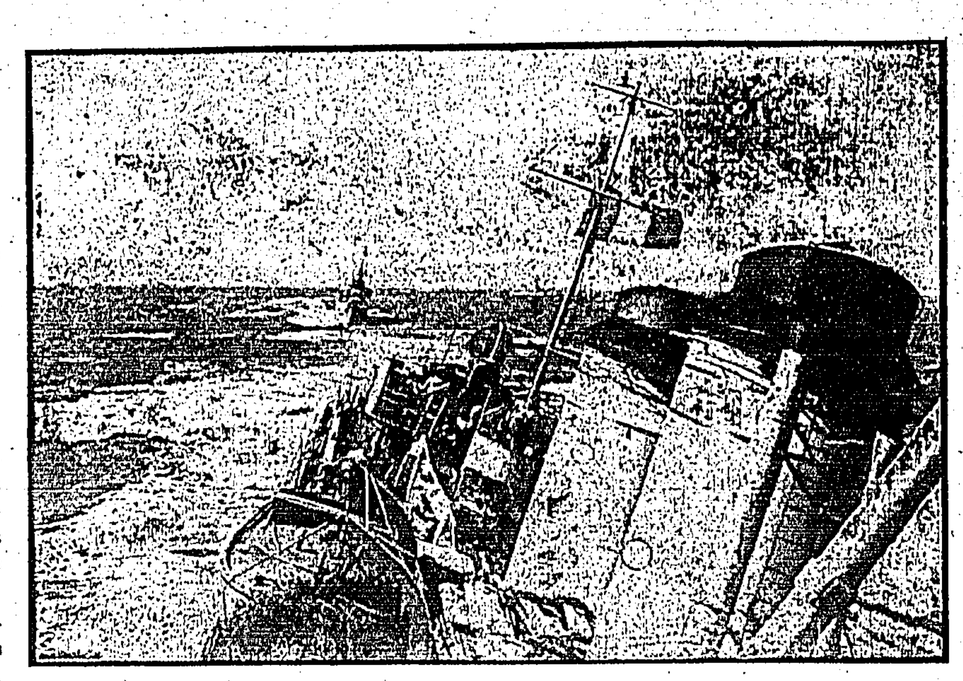
France's Case

Necessarily, much of the recently issued French Yellow Book, dealing with the march of events from Munich to the outbreak of war, is of value for the record rather than for the general reader. But it contains documents of historic importance, presenting familiar facts in greater detail and from a new angle. Its effect is to deepen the sinister impression which those facts had already left on all but the Nazi mind. No room for doubt remains as to where the guilt for plunging Europe into war must lie. War, it is made apparent, was forced on the Allies as the only alternative to ignominious and irretrievable capitulation. Had they shrunk from the fateful challenge they would have had to confess, not merely that "all is lost save honour," but that "all is lost, nor even honour saved." It is difficult to exaggerate the mingled arrogance and duplicity which formed the warp and the woof of German policy. The revelation of that unconscionable blend is alone sufficient to make irrelevant and futile the self-interrogation as to the Allies' war aims in which over-meticulous minds find distraction from the immediate business of winning the war. One might as profitably dispute as to what should be done with a jungle beast about to spring or a cobra ready coiled to strike at its victim.

Britain and France had, and still have, as this Yellow Book shows, only one possibe resort for self-preservation, as well as for honour—to confront and end the imminent peril. Before they were driven to that conclusion, the Allies exhausted every effort to reach a peaceful solution which would not be a mere postponement of the clash, and a betrayal of the tranquillity and liberty of Europe. When they attempted to reach a reasonable accommodation, they were cheated and then flouted. Desire for conciliation was affected only as a cloak to the fulfilment of ulterior designs, and not at all as a token of their abandonment, and the cloak was thrown off as soon as its deceptive purpose had been served. Hitler was resolved on war. Of the evidence given to the world by France, not the least interesting is the provision of the French Ambassador in Berlin as early as May last of the possibility of Hitler making a pact with Soviet-Russia for the partitioning of Poland. Assurodly the vivid character-sketch of Hitler, written by M. Francois-Poncet in October, 1938, helps to explain much that is most perplexing in Nazi policy.

The German Chancellor is described as "capable of the worst frenzies, the wildest exaltations and the most delirious exhibitions," at which times "the upsets nations, continents, geography and history like a demiurge in madness." The likeness fits in with the amazing features of that mountain fastness at Berchtesgaden which Hitler has made his home.



Here are two French destroyers on patrol. The French Navy is doing its full share of the work of keeping the seas clear for Allied commerce

At Sea With The FRENCH NAVY

By William Forrest

News Chronicle Special Correspondent.

THE time was six o'clock in the morning and the place a seaport somewhere in the direction of Land's End. In the sailors' bar where I was having an early cup of coffee there were notices on the wall which said:

"Drinks Must Be Paid
Immediately"
"No Noise Please.
By Order It is Strictly
Forbidden to Sing."

I sometimes sing in the morning (who dosen't), but that morning, no. I was far too excited and nervous. For I was about to make my first trip in a submarine.

Half an hour later the commander, a little man with his hat set at the Beauty angle, welcomed us aboard. And "Bon jour, monsieur" was what he said.

You see, although these notices I have quoted were really written in English (and I am still wondering why) the submarine was French and the Land's End was Finisterre.

It was all very exciting: to stand on the conning tower as we sailed out into the Bay of Biscay; to dive and have lunch on the sea-bed, because it is much steadier down there; to stalk an "enemy" sloop and launch a torpedo against her; and to have depth charges dropped against us in return.

But it was only a mock encounter, and, except for the tyro perhaps, how much tamer than the real thing. So, at a time when the real thing is happening daily—as it might very well have happened to us—there is no point in a long and detailed account of our cruise. Only a few impressions.

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FIRST, the camaraderie aboard. That, I suppose, is inevitable in a submarine. It is not only the ever-present danger that draws everyone, officers and men, together, but the limitations of space compel them to be good mixers. There is no quarter-deck in a submarine.

Ours was one of the smaller class, only 600 tons, with a complement of three officers and 40 men—to say nothing of the dog, who answered to the name of Tout Petit. Everyone aboard was "tu" to the commander. Food (and such food!) was the same for officers and men alike. And the wine—who could wish for better than the *vin de l'intendance* of the French Marine? The grog, of course, goes without saying.

With all this camaraderie goes a perfect discipline. When the warning cry, "Nous allons plonger," passed round the ship every man sprang to his appointed station. Even the steward who was setting the table for lunch dropped the cutlery and ran aft to stand by one of the innumerable speaking-tubes.

I remember, as we dived, looking round at the bewildering mass of delicate machinery and thanking Providence that this vessel in which I was making my first ocean descent was not one of the chain-belt productions which Germany is said to be turning out at the rate of two a week. And as I watched the men, everyone an expert, manipulating their machines I could appreciate the force of Mr. Churchill's comment on the "chain-belt crews" which Germany must find for the U-boat fleet.

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BUT make no mistake: the French Marine, for all its justifiable confidence, is not scoffing at the enemy. Neither, for that matter, is Mr. Churchill; in the same speech he warned us against exaggerated optimism. Here in France, ashore and afloat, I have heard the same warning note as that which was sounded the other day by M. Paul Reynaud: "Let us beware of underestimating the strength of our enemy. The democracies will triumph, but only at the price of sacrifices."

The war at sea, unlike the war on land, has already begun, but it is only in its beginning. Less fortunate than Tirpitz, Admiral Raeder has no Grand Fleet with which to give battle on the high seas; he must rely on his U-boats and on his ocean raiders, the pocket battleships, the battle cruisers, Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, and the new 10,000-ton heavy cruisers, of which two, the Admiral Hipper and the Blucher, are now completed.

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APART from escorting the ocean convoys, the chief task of the Allied Navies now is to chase these German surface raiders off the seas. The British Fleet has made an excellent beginning against the Admiral Graf Spee, but for this sort of work a combination of speed, power and great range of action is essential. And it is here, surely, that the French Fleet excels.

Britain is building the ships (e.g., the King George V. class) that can cope with the Nazi raiders. France has already built them, e.g., the Dunkerque and the Strasbourg.

In England we are too prone to think that French sea power ended with Trafalgar and that the contribution of our Ally to the war is limited to her magnificent Army and Air Force. A glance at the map should be sufficient to correct that view. The French have the second greatest Empire in the world and such an Empire could not survive without a powerful fleet.

Carnot, who organised the victorious armies of the French Revolution, had his counterpart in Jean Bon Saint-Andre, who organised the navy which assured the freedom of France's maritime communications. In these same waters off Finisterre, where our submarine disported, a French flotilla in 1794 joined battle with the British and, although defeated, held the passage open for a great convoy of wheat from America.

To-day, with the co-operation of the British, the French Fleet is fulfilling the same essential service.

In the calm waters of a Breton inlet I transhipped from the submarine to the sloop. The submarine commander swore (and that's the right word) that I had no business to board the sloop since he had already sent her to the bottom with his unerring torpedo. The sloop commander swore (equally) that I had no right to come aboard since he had already blown the submarine and every man jack aboard to blazes with his unfailing depth charges.

By this time no doubt the two commanders have argued it out in the bar at——and I only hope they saw that notice in English which begs "No Noise Please." (But even if they did, what matter? In France, as in Britain, I have discovered "sailors don't care.")

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AS the sloop headed south a convoy with escorts passed to starboard, nearing journey's end. The commander was prompted to tell me the story of the luckiest ship in the French Marine—the destroyer Sirocco.

The Sirocco had just sunk her first U-boat, and everyone aboard was feeling cock-a-hoop. So, in order to give the other destroyers in the escort their chance of a kill, the Sirocco was sent away to the rear of the convoy.

But, towards the end of the day, up came another U-boat, skulking in the wake of the convoy and waiting for the moment to strike. The Sirocco lay behind the U-boat, hidden by the gathering dusk. But to the look-out on the Sirocco the U-boat was clearly visible, with her silhouette against the setting sun—and the guns of the destroyer made short work of the raider.

"I was in command of that escort," said the sloop commander, "and it was I who ordered the Sirocco to the rear."

He spoke with evident feeling.

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WHEN Dr. Goebbels gets tired of trying to divide the Allies by telling the French troops that the British are leaving all the fighting to them, he may be tempted to vary the manoeuvre by telling the British Navy that all the fighting in this war is being done at sea and by the British alone. "France is prepared to fight to the last British bluejacket," etc., etc.

Poor Dr. Goebbels! If he ever tries that line of talk, he will be telling it to the marines.

Do You Know The Next Medal To The V.C.?

The medal ranking next after the V.C. is a medal that hardly anybody has heard about—the Empire Gallantry Medal.

The official ranking of this medal was made known last week.

Its full official title is the Medal of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, but it is to be known generally as the Empire Gallantry Medal, and those who win it will put the initials E.G.M. after their name.

Only a few men have won it so far, and it is almost unknown even to members of the services.

The standard of gallantry required to win it is almost as high as that for the V.C., but, unlike the Cross, it may be won by civilians.

So far, however, no man outside the services has qualified for it, as civilians are rarely in circumstances where they can show gallantry in the face of the enemy.

A big air raid on the civil population might, however, provide an occasion for an air raid warden or a civil policeman to qualify.

Like the V.C., the E.G.M. can be awarded to a man who has been killed in action. This applies to no other decoration.

So far, only one instance of this has occurred. The late Commander F. R. Jolly, R.N., of the destroyer Mohawk, was awarded the E.G.M. after his death, but it was not generally realized that it was an unusually high honour because it was gazetted as "Medal of the Military Division of the O.B.E.," and few people outside the Chancery of the Order knew the importance of the honour.

It has been officially decided that in awarding naval decorations the Order of the British Empire shall be regarded as next in importance to the Order of the Bath. It will only be awarded for service of high merit.

When certain merchant navy captains were recently made officers of the order, the intention, officially, was to mark the fact that their conduct was of outstanding bravery.

India's Big Part In War Effort

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—All parties in Parliament are carefully studying not only war contributions from the self-governing Dominions but those of India and the Colonies, learns "Reuter's" Lobby Correspondent.

The facts placed before Members of Parliament show that, in addition to Indian troops in France, large numbers are serving not only in India but elsewhere, and that volunteers have besieged recruiting offices in India in such numbers that the Viceroy has had to appeal for patience among those anxious to don uniforms.

Munitions and equipment are being manufactured in India not only for the Indian Army but for the general Allied cause.

Indian Navy's Work

Working in co-operation with the Royal Navy, the Royal Indian Navy is engaged in patrolling the Indian seas. The rapidly growing Indian Air Force has been able to assist the Royal Air Force in its multifarious duties.

India's economic contribution to the war effort is especially stressed by Members of Parliament, as India is supplying His Majesty's Government with large quantities of ammunition, made in Indian Ordnance factories, army over-coats, blankets, khaki uniforms, boots and other leather equipment.

Valuable Contribution

India has also contracted to supply 712,000,000 sandbags in addition to 200,000,000 ordered for air raids precautions.

The total involved is greater than the number supplied during the whole of the last war.

India has also supplied 30,000,000 yards of hessian for war purposes.

India's supplies of manganese and other ores have assisted munition factories to manufacture large quantities of Indian high grade mica, which goes into aeroplane construction, and large Indian exports of rubber, cotton wool, hides, skins, lac, hemp, timber, ground-nuts and linseed have all assisted in the essential demands of wartime.

No Third Term For Roosevelt?

Ambassador To London May Seek Nomination

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—In a front page article in the "World-Telegram," Mr. J. Farley, the Postmaster General, is represented as believing that President Roosevelt does not intend to re-run for the Presidency.

A Staff Writer, George Morris, reports that Mr. Farley informed President Roosevelt that he strongly opposed a third term and received a reply from the President which was regarded as an "assurance that he would not be a candidate."

Kennedy For President?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BOSTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—The "Boston Post" Joseph Kennedy, United States Ambassador to London, "may enter the contest" for democratic presidential nomination.

The paper said his friends have brought "powerful pressure" to bear in an effort to persuade him to become a candidate.

Roosevelt Assailed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—In a hundred Lincoln Day speeches in various parts of the country to-day the Republican Party assailed President Roosevelt and the New Deal.

Thomas E. Dewey, Manhattan's District Attorney and himself a Republican presidential nominee, in a speech at the Civil Auditorium at Portland, Oregon, told a packed audience that under the New Deal the American productive plant and equipment has been "running down at heel," at the rate of a thousand million dollars a year.

Quoting Abraham Lincoln, Mr. Dewey said: "The House is divided against itself and cannot stand."

In his speech at Omaha, Nebraska, former Republican President Herbert Hoover asserted that unemployment was the outstanding problem in the United States.

Rejecting the theory that unemployment was a chronic disease Mr. Hoover said that the solution of the problem lay simply in the transformation of Government spending to national thrift, which would turn away class conflict and disunity and, in addition, assure the United States being kept out of wars.

NAZIS ENLIST THE POTATO

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The humble potato is the latest raw material to be extensively used in Germany's lightning drive.

The number of things Germans now claim that they will be able to make from the potato is really surprising.

Forty different dyes and colourings alone can be made, these being used for colouring materials of various kinds.

Vinegar, starch and sugar are also being made and the potato is being used in the making of chocolates and pastries.

Finally, the potato is used to make beer and, from all evidence available, German beer to-day seems almost all potatoes.

ENVOY PREDICTS "HELL LET LOOSE" IN THE SPRING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PALM BEACH, Florida, Feb. 12 (UP).—"All hell is liable to break loose in Europe this spring," said Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to London, in a speech at a social function here to-day.

It will be recalled that Mr. Kennedy, with the late Mr. Dodd, predicted that war would commence in September last year.

The U.S. Ambassador told his listeners that "London was a 'hot spot' in Europe to-day."

Despite his gloomy predictions, Mr. Kennedy revealed that he is returning to his post in the capital of the British Empire.

He will leave for London on February 24.

Beforehand, however, he will undergo a rigid medical examination.

He has not announced whether Mrs. Kennedy and his large family of children will return to England with him.

Big Conference

Concurrently with Mr. Kennedy's warning, a Paris announcement states that M. Daladier, the French Premier, presided over a big military conference at General Gamelin's headquarters to-day.

The conference was attended by all the Generals commanding front line army groups and armies, and also by commanders outside the front line zone.

Rome And Berlin

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is reliably stated that the forthcoming visit of Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, has been the subject of an exchange of views between Rome and Berlin over the week-end, in the course of which Hitler was in telephonic conversation with Mussolini.

President Roosevelt's move is still the leading subject of discussion in the German Foreign Office, although no statement as to the official attitude is as yet available.

Red Precautions

ISTANBUL, Feb. 12 (UP).—According to well-informed quarters, the Russians have been fortifying the Russo-Turkish-Caucasian frontier since the Russo-Turkish negotiations in Moscow terminated and M. Sarajoglu returned to Ankara.

Germans Are Informed

News Of Welles' Visit Permitted In Berlin

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—News of the proposed journey of Mr. Sumner Welles, the U.S. Under Secretary of State, to Europe was allowed to appear in the German Press for the first time this morning.

In all papers reaching Holland, the news is given in a single paragraph of five lines, well-hidden and without comment.

German propagandists have apparently waited to see how the rest of the world reacts before reacting themselves.

Hitler is now back in the Chancellery from somewhere in Germany. It is reported that he has been examining the situation, but he has apparently experienced difficulty in making up his mind.

British Comment

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt and the impending trip of Mr. Sumner Welles to Rome, Berlin, Paris and London were the subjects of comment in the British Press to-day.

The "Times" says that President Roosevelt must clearly feel the need to obtain a view of the whole situation from one representative rather than from individual ambassadors.

The paper welcomes the visit to London and Paris, and says that everything possible should be done for the mission as the Allies are satisfied that an impartial study is more valuable to their cause than any advocacy.

The "Manchester Guardian" feels that there is no reason for believing that President Roosevelt is angling for mediation, while the "News Chronicle" says that it is highly desirable that neutral countries should be planning and thinking ahead.

If President Roosevelt can marshal the neutral world for a constructive effort even while the guns are roaring, he will be doing vital work for civilisation, the paper concludes.

MISS HO TUNG VICTIMISED

Miss Ho Tung, daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung, was the victim of a particularly daring theft last night, as a result of which, in addition to losing an overcoat and a jersey, valued at $58, a window of her Hillman car was smashed.

Miss Ho Tung parked the car near the Alhambra Theatre, Kowloon, shortly before the 5.10 p.m. programme commenced.

During her absence an unknown person smashed a brick through the window and extracted the overcoat and jersey.

An illustrated lecture on "Western Australia" will be given by Prof. W. Brown to-morrow at 8.30 p.m. in Room K of the Hongkong University. All interested are welcome.

Tributes To Tweedsmuir

Canadians Sense Personal Loss

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—In a special broadcast from the B.B.C. the Hon. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner for Canada in the United Kingdom, said that the death of Lord Tweedsmuir brings a deep sense of personal bereavement. "Some of us," he said, "mourn the loss of an old and valued friend.

Lord Tweedsmuir's career was a perfect background to the function he was to perform in his crowning years.

Not only in the sphere of letters but in public administration, in the Army, in business and in Parliament, he played his full part, he continued.

He applied all these qualities to the practical duties of his high office.

Canada was like an open book before him and he turned over its pages with vivid and eager interest and gave his own interpretation of what he saw.

Canada mourns the loss of her Governor-General, concluded the Hon. Vincent Massey, but she will always be grateful for the presence in her midst of one who understood her so well and who so fully won her affections.

U.S. Press Tribute

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The American Press pays a warm tribute to Lord Tweedsmuir. It adds that the American public's regret expresses no formality but sincere sympathy.

President Roosevelt in a message states, "Mrs. Roosevelt and I recall with the greatest pleasure our meeting with Lord Tweedsmuir and express our deepest regret at his death."

Royal Sympathy

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The King and Queen have sent a message of condolence to Lady Tweedsmuir.

Ashes For Scotland

OTTAWA, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—It is understood that Lord Tweedsmuir's body will be cremated and the ashes sent to the United Kingdom.

In response to a message from the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, informing him of Lord Tweedsmuir's death, His Majesty the King has sent the following telegram:

"I thank you for your kind telegram on the very sad occasion of the death of Lord Tweedsmuir while holding the office of my representative in Canada.

"I share the grief which I know will be felt throughout the Dominion whose welfare he had so much at heart, and to whose service he devoted himself in the face of ill-health with unfailing energy and courage."

S. Africa's Condolence

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The Union Government has asked the accredited representative of South Africa in Canada to convey to the Canadian Government on behalf of General Smuts an expression of the most sincere sympathy in the grievous loss they have sustained by the death of Lord Tweedsmuir.

Canada Mourns

MONTREAL, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Flags were flown at half mast throughout Canada to-day as the Dominion entered into seven days of public mourning for the death of Lord Tweedsmuir.

Political warfare has subsided for the time being, and most of the social events have been cancelled.

Officers of the Canadian Grenadier Guards are keeping watch over the body which lies in a private chapel.

Units of the Militia, Navy and Air Force will line the route to-morrow when the remains will be conveyed to the station for removal by train to Ottawa.

Japan Wants A Revision

TOKYO, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is announced that the Japanese Government has requested the Netherlands Government to open conversations with the view to revision of the Treaty of Arbitration, Conciliation and Judicial Settlement.

Japan has taken steps to terminate the agreement on August 11 owing to the "necessity of making technical adjustments," but earnestly desires a revision and conclusion of the new treaty before the present treaty is invalidated.

It is emphasised that Japan's denunciation of the Treaty has no political move.

YANGTSE OPENING

SHANGHAI, Feb. 12 (UP).—Wang Ching-wei's "China News Agency" reports that the Yangtse River is expected to be re-opened on March 1.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2.27/32
Demand do.	1/2.27/32
T.T. Shanghai	333
T.T. Singapore	52⅝
T.T. Japan	104
T.T. India	82¼
T.T. U.S.A.	24⅞
T.T. Manila	40⅛
T.T. Batavia	45¾
T.T. Bangkok	140⅞
T.T. Saigon	108½
T.T. France	10.68
T.T. Switzerland	100
T.T. Australia	1/0⅞
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3.5/32
4 m/s D/P Do.	1/3.9/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25⅛
4 m/s France	11.40
30 d/s India	84
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02½
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.97⅝

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks $ (c.d.)	1,402½ sa.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) £ ex. div.	85½ n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) £ ex. div.	87½ n.
Chartered £	9 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £	31 n.
Mercantile, C. £	12¾ n
East Asia $	78 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton $	212½ b.
Unions $	470 sa.
China Underwriter $	1¼ s.
H.K. Fire $	180 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglases $	100 b.
Steamboats $	10½ n.
Indo-Chinas P$	100 n.
Indo-Chinas D.$	80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	73/9 n.
Waterboats $	7½ n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves $	102 sa.
Docks $	22.35/50 sa.
Providents $	4.80 s.
New Eng. Sh.	30½ n.
Sh. Docks Sh. $ (x.d.)	345 n.
MINING	
Kailan s/-	18/- n.
Raubs $	10 n.
Venz. Gold $	4 n.
H.K. Mines	3½ cts. n.
LANDS	
Hotels $	5.70 sa.
Lands $	36 b & sa.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
S'hai Lands Sh. $	18 n.
Humphreys $	8¾ n.
H.K. Realties $	4.55 n.
Chinese Estates $	101 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams $	18.30/.40 n.
Peak Trams (old) $	8 n.
Peak Trams (new) $	4 n.
Star Ferries $	68½ sa.
Y. Ferries $	24¾/25 sa.
China Lights (old) $	7¾ b.
China Lights (new) $	4¾ b.
H.K. Electrics $	57 b.
Macao Electrics $	20½ sa.
Sandakan Lights $	11¼ n.
Telephones (old) $	25.40 n.
Telephones (new) $	9.20 n.
Tractions s/-	19/6 n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/-	19/9 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald: Macg. (Ord.), Sh. $	14.90 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $	12 n.
Canton Ices $	1 n.
Cements $	9.15/.20 sa.
H.K. Ropes $	5.70 b.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms (old) $	21.80 b.
Dairy Farms (new) $	21 b.
Watsons $	9.40 b.
Lane, Crawfords $	7¼ n.
Sinceres $	1.80 n
Wing On (H.K.) $	41 n.
Powell, Ltd. $	1 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh. $	37 n.
S'hai Cotton Sh. $	170 n.
Zoeng Sing, Sh. $	44 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $	48½ n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainments $	7 b.
Constructions (old) $	1¾ n.
Constructions (new) $	1 n.
Vibro Piling $	8¾ n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	
G. Bonds	50% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan	95¾ n.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/-	15/3 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-	4/- n.

Sweden Shows Deep Concern

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Deep concern at the heavy toll on Swedish shipping as a result of the Nazi campaign is becoming increasingly evident.

A Swedish news agency reports that 34 ships, one-twentieth of Sweden's total tonnage, have been lost by German action since the beginning of the war.

Swedish shipping leaders are insisting that the Government find some means of halting this rapid destruction of Sweden's merchant fleet.

N.Y.K. To Resume London Service

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 13 (Domei).—The N.Y.K. line announces that it will revive the Far Eastern service to London as from next month.

The Taketoyo Maru and Kashima Maru are to be placed on this run. The former ship is at present engaged on the South American route.

DECISIONS APPROVED

New Central Regime Leaders Meet

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Representatives of the Kuomintang, various non-Kuomintang political leaders and non-party National leaders met here to-day and unanimously approved the decisions reached in the Tsingtao Conference in connection with the establishment of a new central regime, according to the "China News Agency."

The way is now clear, it is added, for the convocation of a central political conference in order to put the finishing touches to the arrangements in the formation of the new government.

Among those expected to be invited to attend this conference are the leaders of both the Provisional and Reformed governments, certain members of the Central Executive and Supervisory Committees of the Kuomintang, and members of other political parties.

U.S. Embargo Possibilities

U.S. Senate Committee Said Wavering

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—A survey shows that the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee is increasingly against an embargo on Japan. Informed quarters predict that the question will be postponed or tabled after an extensive committee debate.

Consideration of several bills will (in on Wednesday after the Senate has voted on the Finnish Loan Bill and that to permit the $20,000,000 loan to China.

Twenty-three are on the committee, of which 12, including Senator Connally, are against an embargo, although some would switch quickly if Japan unnecessarily affronted them. Seven from the remainder, including Senator Pittman, are in favour of reprisals, while four, including Senator Vandenberg, are undecided on the question.

Senator Sherman Minton says that the proposal will be enacted on a safe margin, while Senator Van Nuys, who is opposed to the measure, conceded its passage but predicted 30 votes against Senator Elbert Thomas who had stated, "I am opposed to picking out a single nation in applying an embargo, which would drive Japan into the arms of Russia and leave Russia free to do whatever she wants in Europe."

Even opponents of the measure believe that the President does not need it since he has sufficient powers through tariff control to impose penalties if it seems desirable.

Letter To Roosevelt

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A letter to President Roosevelt signed by 50 educators, clergymen and public officials, including the President's mother, urging the President to remove Japan from the most favoured nation status has been made public.

The letter urges the cessation of American participation in Japan's aggression and the application of penalties provided in the Tariff Act 1930 against Japan's exports.

The application of such penalties would make Japan feel the moral condemnation of the American people in her illegal acts which do not justify the invasion of China.

"Barbarous Countries"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Senator George W. Norris, at an interview, called for moral embargoes against Japan and Russia which he termed as barbarous countries. He said it would be perfectly justifiable to stop buying their goods or selling them any American goods as done by individual citizens or groups. Nobody could claim that it would constitute an unfriendly act because no act of the Government would be involved.

The Senator further said he would oppose legislation authorising the President to impose embargoes, on the ground that it might tend to draw the United States towards war, but he said there can be no complaint against moral embargoes.

Confidence In M. Daladier

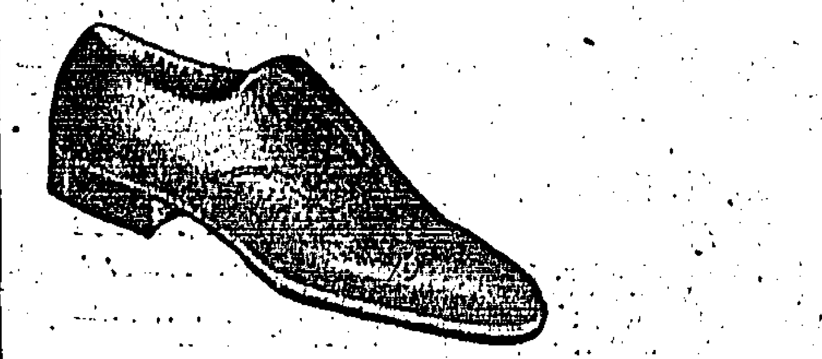
PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The French press agrees that the vote of confidence in the Government, passed by the Chamber of Deputies on Saturday, is a complete answer to Nazi efforts to split French unity.

"Le Matin" says that the vote was more than a personal success for M. Daladier. It was also proof that the Chamber of Deputies is worthy by the high level of the debate and patriotic enthusiasm of the final vote.

SPLENDID GIFT FROM BAHAMAS

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Malcolm MacDonald has accepted, on behalf of the British Government, £20,000 which the Legislature of the Bahamas has given as a donation towards Imperial Defence.

His Excellency the Hon. Sir Charles Dundas, Governor of the Bahamas, has been asked to convey the British Government's appreciation of the gift to the Legislature and people of the Bahamas.



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SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders **ONLY** on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

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By Order,
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$60,000 Offer For Stable Refused

It was learned yesterday that an offer of over half a lakh of dollars had been made by a wealthy Chinese for the entire stable, including entries for the 1940 Annual Race Meeting, of one of Hongkong's best known owners and one whose colours had been carried to victory on three occasions in the Hongkong Derby.

Mr. L. Dunbar, to whom the offer was made, admitted that a wealthy Chinese had offered him $60,000 for his entire stable, to be delivered before the Annual Race Meeting, but due to the fact that entries had already been made under his colours, he was forced to decline the offer.

Mr. Dunbar said he was never anxious to sell his stable.

Among Mr. Dunbar's New Griffins are Mount Hope Bay and Dupont Bay, two very promising candidates for the Hongkong Derby.

EASTERN TROUNCE SAIGON

Tempers Fray During Moments Of Excitement

VISITORS UNABLE TO HOLD VIRILE ATTACK

(By "Rex")

EASTERN GAINED a decisive victory over Saigon at Caroline Hill yesterday, beating them by five goals to one, in a very fast, exciting encounter, in which Eastern matched Saigon in speed, and ball control, but surpassed them in scoring ability.

It was most decidedly the best match of the series, and there was no question, as there was in the first two encounters, of the better team losing.

There were incidents galore which met with the disapproval of the crowd. One in particular was when Pacini, Saigon centre-half and Captain, struck Cheung Kam-hoi, Eastern inside-right, for a foul by the latter in the Saigon area, and the crowd became ominious.

Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern inside-right) scoring with his head against Saigon yesterday. Ngay, Saigon goalie, making an abortive but gallant effort to save, while Long, Saigon left back, looks on anxiously.—*Mee Cheung.*

Saigon fielded four reserves and made a change in their forward line-up. Ngay took over the custody of the goal, Tai was injured in the last match. Long came in at left-back for Cui, who had pulled a muscle in the match against Hongkong. Nga relieved Bach at left-half, Tien occupied Dai's place at inside-right, and Quyen filled the inside-left position.

Eastern had one change from their original line-up, Cheng Ying-kuen substituted for Kong Seng-keng, their star right back, who did not put in an appearance.

SAIGON PEN-SKETCHES

NGAY played an unobtrusive game in goal. He lacked the dash and recklessness of Tai and preferred to remain in his goal area and wait for the ball rather than intercept. On two occasions, had he the initiative to rush forward, he would have prevented goals scored against him.

Coren played his usual fine game, but he closed his eyes to the fact that he had an exceptionally fast winger to contend with, while he did not have the required support from Long and Pacini who both found a handful in the Eastern right flank.

Pacini concentrated his entire attention to watching Tsui and played an exceptionally good stopper game. He was, however, very often torn between aiding his left flank at the same time fulfilling his duty. Buu gave another wonderful display at right-half. He was the most consistent of the team, parrying and lunging at every precipitate movement of Eastern's defence. Nga was the weak link in Saigon's Maginot line and Eastern's right flank pierced Saigon's left half of the field almost at will.

ATTACK LACKED INITIATIVE

SAIGON'S forward line was again guilty of bad shooting. They played a more open game, their passings had the same degree of accuracy, but their efforts at goal were lamentable. Tot was not as good as previously: Tien played his best, and was very unfortunate to have several of his drives blocked by Eastern defenders. He combined excellently with Guichard on the right-wing who also played his best game. Guichard always got the better of Lo, at left-half, but his perfect centres often went begging. He caused Lau no end of worry with his hard drives. He switched for some time with Tien, but, finding the change ineffective went back to his original position. Quyen was a trier all through, but was, as with Hon, starved of the ball. Had more advantage been taken of his deceptive positioning in the Eastern goal area, Saigon might have scored a few more goals. Hoa was exceedingly fast, but was starved.

EASTERN PEN-SKETCHES

LAU HIN-HON played an unusual cool game in goal for Eastern. He placed great reliance on his back pair and was not let down. His knowledge of Saigon's forward failing may have contributed to the fine performance he gave.

Tsang Chung-wan was a tower of strength at left back and covered well, lending valuable support to Lo at left-half. Cheng Ying-kuen played a sound game to partner well with Tsang.

Hsu King-seng again came in for special mention. He easily overshadowed his own and the opposition's players to turn out a sparkling performance. He gave no rope to the Saigon attack and provided plenty of scope for his forwards, instigating most of the moves that reaped goals for Eastern. Lau Tse-chan had a small measure of success. His speed stood him in good stead and enabled him to harass and spoil. His distribution was below par as was Lo Wai-kuen's who was, incidentally, the weakest of the half-back line. Lo failed to keep in check Saigon right flank. He did some spoiling work but nothing that was worth mentioning.

ATTACK ATTAIN PEAK

EASTERN forward line were at the peak of their form. Tsui Ah-fai was too well marked to be of much use. Cheung Kam-hoi, who has taken vast strides in his advancement for contending for premier honours in his department, forced himself on everyone's notice. Despite scoring four out of five goals for Eastern he gave a magnificent performance at inside-right. He partnered excellently with Chung Yung-sum to form the more dangerous flank. Hau Ching-to gave another of his remarkable exhibitions at left-wing. His marvellous versatility to centre and score goals, as he pleased, was seen to good effect. He did not require the support of Wu Gay-tsang, and pierced Saigon's defence in a series of tricky and fast runs. He often baffled Coren. Wu picked up in the latter stages of the game and did some fine work. He lacked tactics, but stolidly plied Tsui with passes even knowing the latter was being well marked.

BALL BY BALL ACCOUNT

EASTERN attacked from the outset, but was checked by Saigon's halves. Saigon attacked but the ball was soon back in Saigon's area; Tsui tapped the ball a sight too hard, Hau running in too late for Ngay to collect. Hsu dispossessed Buu and broke through to send in a hard drive that skimmed the up-right.

The ball swung from one end to the other with great rapidity, Eastern's finish was the better. Nga and Buu managed to press the Eastern in their own half for some time. Cheung received from Lau and ran through attended by Buu, who then miskicked for Cheung to drive, the ball sailing over the bar with inches to spare.

Saigon now pressed in attack and Tien came near with a nice drive which Lau did well to save. Tien changed with Guichard, but the change not proving effective, they rechanged. Buu lobbed the ball to Tot who, facing the Eastern goal, spun round and shot but Lau showed marvellous anticipation to clear well.

HAU'S ACHIEVEMENT

EASTERN returned to the attack through Chung who passed to Cheung for the latter to lob over Coren, Hau dashed in too late. Chung tricked Long and shot weakly across the goalmouth for Hau to dash into the goal missing the ball by inches.

Pacini was forced to concede a corner when hard pressed by Cheung. Cheung to Chung and the latter centred for Hau to dash in this time successfully finding the net with a nice hook shot.

Cheung centred in again and Hau, after tricking two defenders shot over the bar. Seconds later, Cheung netted Eastern's second goal from just outside the Saigon penalty area, catching Ngay completely by surprise, Ngay having his eye on Hau who was dancing around the area.

The second half found Eastern almost complete masters of the situation both in defence and attack. Cheung sent in a pile driver which Ngay saved nicely. Cheung again tested Ngay and in the scramble Chung was hurt and left the field. Hau eluded Coren to centre to Cheung who dashed in to head past Ngay. Chung returned soon after.

Guichard tried from within the penalty area, but Lau covered the shot well. Hsu sent in a nice centre to Tsui, but Ngay beat Tsui to the ball and cleared.

Eastern again attacked and while Pacini was in the act of clearing Cheung went full tilt at him. Pacini remonstrated with Cheung then struck him, the referee separated them and the game resumed its normal course.

Tot drove an angle shot which Lau just managed to punch out, the ball passing behind Guichard who had rushed in. Tsang saved an almost certain goal when he kicked clear from almost the goal line with Lau badly positioned. Ngay partially cleared a shot from Tsang and, before he had time to recover Wu lobbed the ball in the goalmouth.

SAIGON'S SOLE GOAL

SAIGON broke away through Guichard who made a fine solo effort down the right wing to centre, Hon rushed in and put the ball past Lau with an unstoppable drive from five yards.

Saigon seemed to tire and Eastern forced them on the defensive. Cheung passed to Wu who slipped the ball to Hau. Hau after tricking Coren sent in a powerful drive which went just out. Tsang sent a long pass to Hau who broke through on his own his parting drive striking the cross bar and bounding into play for Cheung to meet it on the rebound and drive past Ngay. Hau received from Hsu to trick Coren into a false position. He flipped the ball past him and sped down the wing. He passed back to Hsu who lobbed the ball into the Saigon goalmouth for Cheung to dash in and head past Ngay.

Saigon:—Ngay; Coren, Long; Buu, Pacini, Nga; Guichard, Tien, Tot, Quyen and Hon.

Eastern:—Lau Hin-hon; Cheng Ying-kuen, Tsang Chung-wan; Lau Tse-chan, Hau King-seng, Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Cheung Kam-hoi, Tsui Ah-fai, Wu Gay-tsang and Hau Ching-to.

Cricket Notes To-morrow

"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments will appear in to-morrow's issue.

SOCCER DIRECTORS SUSPENDED

Crystal Pal. Subject Of F.A. Inquiry

LONDON. — THREE DIRECTORS on the present board of Crystal Palace F.C. and two former directors have been suspended by a joint commission of the Football Association and the Football League, which held an inquiry on December 11 in London.

Mr. E. T. Truett, the present chairman, and Mr R. Cornell, another member of the current board, have each been suspended for 12 months, and Mr. R. H. E. Blaxill has been suspended until the end of the season.

The son of the chairman, Mr. C. E. Truett, who retired some time ago from the board, and Mr. R. S. Moyes, a former director and a former manager, have each been suspended for 12 months.

PLAYERS FINED

Two former players registered with Palace F.C., J. Palethorpe and V. Blore, have each been fined £10 for receiving payments in excess of those permitted by the Football League.

The Commission considered communications dated Aug. 22 and Nov. 26, 1939, received from Mr. R. S. Moyes, alleging that various sums amounting to £50, entered in the club books as travelling and hotel expenses of directors, vouchers for which were signed by directors Messrs. E. T. Truett, C. E. Truett and R. Cornell were not in fact used for travelling expenses as stated on the vouchers but for illegal payments to players Palethorpe (£20) and Blore (£30) upon their transfer to the club from Aston Villa and West Ham United respectively.

The report says: "It was admitted by Messrs. E. T. Truett, C. E. Truett and R. Cornell that they had signed vouchers for expenses which had not been incurred by them, and that the amount represented by the vouchers had been promised by the manager, Mr. R. S. Moyes, to the players Palethorpe and Blore, and had been paid to them in violation of the regulations of the Football League."

New Swimming Record For Hveger

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 12 (UP).—Ranghild Hveger to-day broke the 500-metres swimming record, covering the distance in six minutes 27.4 seconds, clipping a second off the previous world's record set by the Belgian, Fernand Carcens.

Results Of Golf Competitions At Fanling

The following were the results of Chinese New Year golf competitions held at Fanling:

The Bogey Par Pool over the Old Course was won by G. C. Worrall (8) who was two up. J. Linaker (17) and W. Hewitt (13) were both one up and divide the second prize. Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson (9) was one up and won the medal competition on the same card. There were 63 entries.

Medal Round

There were 17 entries for the Medal Round over the Old Course which was won by Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson, who returned a score of 77-9=68.

Bogey Pool

J. Linaker (17) won the Bogey Par Pool over the New Course from an entry of 17, being all square.

The Mixed Bogey Par over the New Course was cancelled owing to insufficient entries.

Stubbs Shield

THE SEMI-FINALS of the Stubbs Shield competition were held at Fanling recently and resulted in a win for A.P.C. (G. M. Park and R. Young) over Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps (Col. Rose and Lt. Col. E. J. R. Mitchell) at the 20th, and for R.A.M.C. (Major Harvey and Major Bowie) over Harbour Office (Cmdr. Hole and R. K. Collings) six and five.

Referee Criticised In Shanghai Newspaper

SHANGHAI, Feb. 12 (UP).—A soccer spectator calling himself "Give and Take" criticises Shanghai's referee and linesmen in the interport game in a letter to the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury. He says:

"Well done Hongkong! With 11 men you managed to keep the score down to 2-0 against a team which played with 13 men—11 players, a linesman and referee.

"The linesman on the north line must have thought it was Mafeking Night or the Armistice by the manner in which he waved his flags.

"Shanghai's first goal was at least three yards offside as Roboostoff was lying that distance behind both the Hongkong backs when the ball was last played. I was right in line with the position from which he shot.

"Next, the penalty. Tsao will be the first to admit that when he shot the ball never touched any part of the Hongkong player's hand, wrist, elbow, muscles or shoulder; it hit him just under the armpit and glided off, and as his back was facing—to use an Irishism—the north stand, how in the name of Old Harry could the referee see?"

The writer says the referee was unnecessarily severe towards the Hongkong players in pulling them up nine times for allegedly unfair tackling when the tackling was actually fair. He concludes.—"No wonder the Hongkong players shook their heads at most of the decisions. So again well done Hongkong!"

Civil Service C.C. Tennis Tournament

A MIXED DOUBLES tennis tournament will be held at the Civil Service Cricket Club on Sunday, February 18, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

The tournament will be conducted on the progress method of a whist drive, and automatic handicaps will operate.

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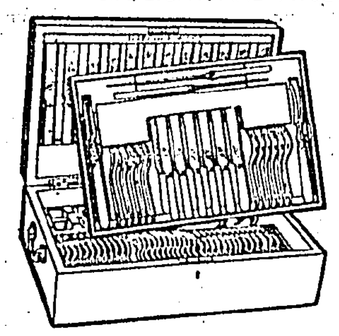

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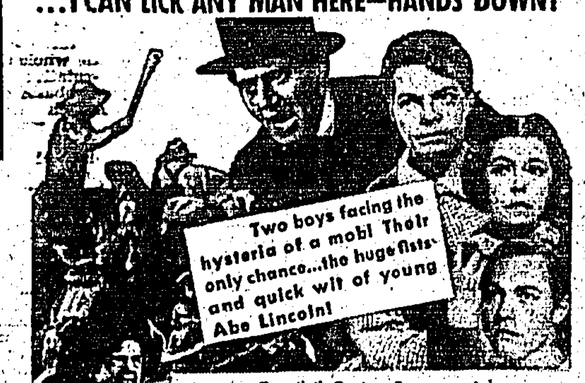

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Jealousy Among Quins

There is trouble in the Dionne household at Callander, Ontario. Two of the Quins are jealous of their other three sisters, and all because Cecilie, Marie and Emilie have lost some of their first teeth.

Yvonne and Annette, say United Press, are envious of their sisters' achievement. In fact, they have tried every means within their power to extract some of their own teeth, so far without result.

Doctor Dafoe states that the teeth of the Quins will be mounted and kept as a contribution to medical history.

Cecilie

Annette

Marie

Yvonne

Emilie

WINNING WAR WILL BE NO EASY TASK, BRITISH PEOPLE WARNED

Complacency Is Our Greatest Danger

By PETER LYNE

LONDON.—Complacency appears to be deemed Britain's greatest danger at the present stage of the war, judging from the extent to which stress on the seriousness of the task of defeating Germany is suddenly being redoubled here.

The development can hardly be dissociated from the secret session of Parliament when war supplies were discussed and the Government faced a barrage of questions on the effectiveness of the war effort.

The vehemence with which radio listeners are urged to face the fact, "we are fighting for our lives and for our freedom" struck an unusually highpitched note compared with the normal calm tone of British radiocasts.

Maj. Gen. Sir Ernest Swinton in his weekly review of the war situation was the BBC spokesman, but a similar warning line has been taken by Mr. Anthony Eden and Sir Arthur Salter in speech since Parliament's secret sessions and by newspaper writers, notably Mr. Vernon Bartlett, M.P., and Mr. G. Ward Price, expert on Germany.

Must Sheer Red Tape

"If we are to beat Germany," Sir Ernest said, "we have got to take things more seriously than we are doing. We have got to put our house in order. We have got to prevent overlapping in our effort and the waste of money. We have to sheer through red tape and get a move on. May we do it before it is too late. The red light is at danger and I repeat with all the seriousness of which I am capable the words I spoke 15 minutes ago, 'We are fighting for our lives and for our freedom.' I add, once we realize that, we are bound to win."

The appeal for no belittling of the war task and no underrating of the Nazi war machine was made by Mr. Eden at a literary lunch organized by Foyle's Book Shop, presided over by Viscount Halifax and attended by many prominent persons among the 1,200 guests.

Taking as his text "Towards a Lasting Peace," Mr. Eden based hopes on three objectives: First, nothing should distract the British from winning the war; second, Anglo-French co-operation should be still further extended during the war and should be fully maintained afterward; third, co-operation between members of the British Commonwealth should be brought closer and closer.

At the same lunch Sir Arthur stressed the necessity of Britain making a much greater economic effort which, he said, would prove the deciding factor in the war, and R. C. K. Ensor, Oxford historian, impressed on the audience the dangers of facing such an enemy as Hitler.

Danger In Complacency

Mr. Bartlett, in the first article since he emerged from behind the bolted doors which kept strangers away from the Commons secret sessions says in the News Chronicle, "it isn't true that we can win the war by sitting still, waiting for a fissure to turn into a breach and for the whole Nazi edifice to crumble into ruins. The greatest danger to victory to-day is our own complacency about it."

Further support for the view that the British people are taking the war too complacently comes from Mr. Price, who, writing in the Daily Mail contends that too much money and energy are being wasted in the crowded theatres, restaurants, and night clubs of London and the chief provincial cities. Further he alleges wasteful bureaucratic methods, and slack enforcement of such measures as gasolene restriction, under which big cars carrying one person are seen heading to the city daily.

On the other hand authorities are faced with a serious problem keeping up the morale threatened by the blackout and other restrictions, by the boredom and irritation engendered by the immense amount at present of seemingly useless work of manning innumerable antiaircraft guns, air raid posts, and firefighting appliances Therefore any attempts to enforce the new restrictions are met with determined protests. Complacency may now be held to be Britain's biggest bogey, but boredom can't be far behind in this war which Americans have aptly called "cockeyed."

The inactivity which now marks warfare on the western front elicited even the comment of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, who, on his visit to the Maginot Line, declared, "it is a matter of taste, but personally I prefer to be bored rather than bombed."

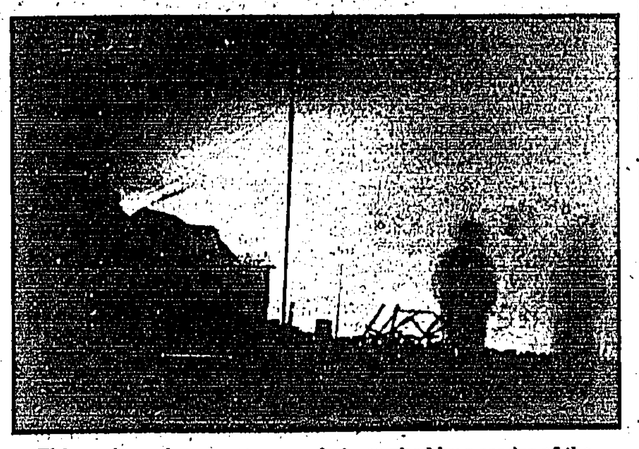
AMERICAN CRITICS

New York, Feb. 12.

"President Roosevelt's sudden week-end peace offensive has now rather hastily toned down," writes the *New York Herald-Tribune*, which adds, "The best thing that can be hoped for gestures of this kind is that they will prove harmless."

Miss Dorothy Thompson, writing in the same newspaper, says the explanation of the President's move is to be found chiefly in the United States in the presidential campaign and only secondarily in Europe.—*Reuter.*

SHADOW OF MAN ON FIRE SHOWN



This curious phenomenon was photographed by a reader of the "Telegraph" at last week's big fire in the Shamshuipo area. The shadow of the onlooker is plainly visible on the smoke of the fire.

'Human Escalator' Helps To Save R.A.F. Raid Hero

PILOTS and aircraftmen at a lonely R.A.F. station in Britain played a vital part in saving the life of an airman who was wounded in the Heligoland battle.

The flyer was gunner of the British bomber which shot down five Messerschmitt fighters.

When the bomber returned, the men at the R.A.F. station made a "human escalator" of their backs so that he could be removed as gently as possible from the machine.

He weighed 14 stone, and they had no easy task.

"Doing Well"

Although the bullet which passed through his thigh had missed both bone and artery, he had lost a great deal of blood on the long and cold flight home.

But now, in hospital, he is "doing very well."

Because of fears for his gunner's safety, the bomber pilot decided to land at the nearest home aerodrome —a lonely station near the East Coast.

It was just before dark when the machine appeared over the station.

As it put down, cheered by the waiting pilots, a tyre bursts, and it swung round in a circle.

Tattered Wings

It had been badly damaged during the raid. Both wings were in tatters, and the fuselage was riddled with bullet holes.

One wing was burned.

Despite all this, however, the plane flew as well as ever."

During the battle an armour-piercing bullet tore the sole from the boot of another member of the crew.

He escaped with a graze and a slight burn.

Official List of Sub. Victims

The Secretary of the Admiralty regrets to announce that the following officers and ratings who formed the ships' companies of H.M. Submarines Seahorse, Undine, and Starfish are missing.

The German wireless has announced that part of the crews of the Undine and Starfish have been rescued, but their names are not yet available.

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When she recovered, some minutes later, the child was dead.

This was the tragic story told at the inquest on the child at Southampton.

Mrs. Newbury's husband, a ship's baker, is at sea.

This is the sory she told:—

"I was rinsing baby when suddenly I had a dizzy feeling.

"I remember nothing more until I found myself lying partly on the floor and partly on the bath.

"I went to lift baby out of the bath when everything went hazy. I think I fainted again.

"When I came round baby was under the water."

The coroner said no blame attached to the mother.

R.A.F. Girl Pilots

WOMEN are to pilot R.A.F. planes. They will ferry new light training craft from factory to aerodrome. Only eight will be enrolled to start.

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Hitler An Evil Spirit—The Dean

The Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. W. R. Matthews, said recently that he was "inclined to think" that Hitler is an evil spirit in contact with a malignant power which reinforces his natural gifts and drives him to destroy.

The Dean did not use those words, for he was addressing the Society for Psychical Research in London on "Psychical Research and Religion." But he was no less emphatic.

The Word "Demonic"

There were, he said, mystical states which were morally and spiritually evil. He went on:

"There are persons who have what we can only call 'spiritual power,' who are apparently in contact with some source of energy which reinforces their natural endowments, and gives them a unification of purpose which makes them most formidable.

"But these persons are often evil and their mystical experience is a heightening of their will and their capacity for destruction.

"In other words, I believe in the word 'demonic.'"

The Dean raised his eyes from his manuscript for a moment, and gave his hearers a keen glance over the top of his spectacles as he added in deliberate tones:

"We should not have to look very far for an example of a mystic of this type, or for the evidence of his power for evil."

There was a chorus of "hear, hear!"

Faith In Survival

Dr. Matthews went on to discuss the question of the survival of the actual personality of a human being after death. He said he was in sympathy with the theory.

Christian thinkers of many schools would say that the continuance just as it was of human personality was not necessarily good news. It might very well be bad news.

"The records of psychical research are full of deceit, fraud, and illusion," said the Dean. "But when one has discounted all this there remains a residium of established facts which, prima facie, suggests the hypothesis of survival."

DAY into NIGHT

WHETHER you wear your hair short, or long, you may want to give yourself a different hair-do for parties.

Here are two ways of transforming simple everyday hair styles into party coiffures.

The Eton crop of the last war was hard and difficult to wear: in the new short style, the hair is cut to about 4in. long all over the head, so that even at the back you have soft ends, long enough to curl, thus avoiding an ugly, bare neckline.

If you have this style brushed into a mass of short curls all over the head you will need a strong and efficient permanent wave.

HAIRDRESSER RAYMOND can do almost anything with the new semi-short hair—that is, not more than four inches long all over, and fairly strongly curled at the ends.

Here is one convertible way: The girl with the telephone has a side parting, and has side-brushed her hair at the back, so that the ends curl above the ear. The short ends on top are just brushed up and back and coiled neatly above the forehead.

For evening, the hair-do is completely transformed by a fresh parting (see how to do it from the small drawing on the right) and the curls on top, instead of being kept flat and restrained, are combed up into quite a "coiffe" on the forehead. The back is very easy. Instead of being brushed sideways, the hair is combed down on to the nape of the neck, and the ends pushed up into curls.

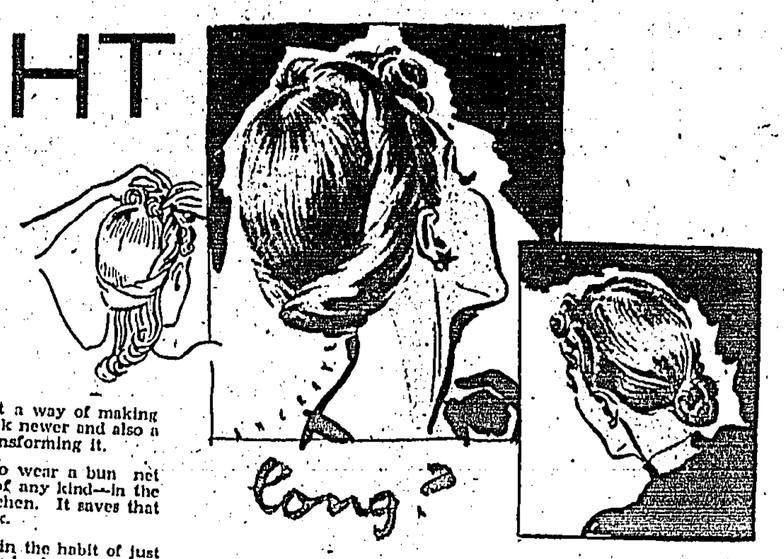
But there are other ways. In the picture below we suggest two ways of adapting a shortish hair do. One is perfectly businesslike and suitable for office or uniform: the other is pretty and glamorous, especially for evening.

But also, if you restrain the "fluff" on top and brush the curls a little more tightly round your fingers it would be a very attractive way for any rather feminine girl, especially in a hood, turban or off the face hat.

And since many practical women find a bun the answer to all hair problems we also suggest, in the group on the right a way of making your hair style look newer and also a suggestion for transforming it.

By the way, do wear a bun net when on service of any kind—in the garden, in the kitchen. It saves that wispy, dowdy look.

And if you are in the habit of just combing your hair back anyhow into that bun do try cutting a fringe, and wearing it not as fringe, but as a bunch of curls. If your hair is straight and you can't afford a perm, it's easy enough to put your front hair into a couple of lead curlers every night (disguised, please, with a chiffon scarf or bow).



LOTS of people like to keep their hair long, when a neat bun looks as good as anything.

One way to make a long style look different is to have the front ends cut short, and keep them curled, so that you can either have a fringe, or a bunch of curls, like the girl in the picture on the right.

In the party season you can then transform your hair into an attractive "turban" for evening. Brush the curls forward out of the way, and take all the rest of your hair well back. Now divide into two equal strands, twist them, cross them over, and bring them up to the front of the head like the girl in the small drawing. Cross the ends and tuck them in, pinning securely. And there you are.

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MACARONI AIDS

MACARONI, which is hard wheat converted into a paste with water, is a good companion to bacon and fresh meats and makes them go further.

For breakfast, fry four ounces of bacon cut into dice, add the same quantity of cooked macaroni in inch-long pieces, season and stir together for five minutes. Heap on a hot dish, and garnish with snippets of dry toast, or bread fried in bacon fat or dripping.

Mutton and macaroni—half a pound of the first to four ounces of the second—stewed with onions and carrots and flavoured and seasoned to taste makes a good dinner dish. Nearly cover them with water or stock and simmer gently for about one and a half hour.

Meat and macaroni mould is a good way of using up the remains of a cold joint. Allow half a pound of cooked meat to three ounces of cooked macaroni. Chop them both finely, season with pepper, salt, a pinch of nutmeg if liked, stir in a beaten egg and enough flour or brenderumbs to make a fairly stiff paste. Steam in a greased basin for about an hour.

Bacon can no longer be spared for dinner dishes, so try macaroni with rabbit instead. Boil the rabbit till tender, remove the meat from the bones, and cut it in small pieces. Mix it with two ounces of cooked macaroni, a chopped onion, half a pint of milk, and salt and pepper to taste. Simmer for half an hour, stirring frequently. Just before serving add two ounces of grated cheese, if liked; otherwise a nut of dripping or margarine.

Simplicity is the keynote of Melanie Wilkes' charming cameo dress in pale beige coloured bengaline worn in the film "Gone With the Wind." The large cameo brooch is an effective adornment.

RESTORATION

Last Year's Frock into Next Year's Fashion

By MARY GRACE

Striped taffeta jacket worn with swing skirt bound at hem to match. Lace yoke and sleeves—1940 blouse atop a pleated skirt.

THERE is no need to be behind the times, even though last season's frock has to do duty at a party. Here's how to brighten it.

First snip off a few inches from the hem. You'll feel younger at once. If it is a swing or gored skirt bind the edge with coloured ribbon.

Nip in the waist a little tighter to give the suggestion of a spring at the hip line. Top it with a light coloured jacket blouse to match the coloured skirt hem.

These jacket blouses can be in velvet or satin stripes, whichever you fancy. Keep them shapely down the side seams and allow the basque to fit about three inches above the waist. Cherry red with black is this season's most successful colour scheme.

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You have a pleated sports skirt? Then shorten that to about two inches below the knee. Have it replcated and nip it on to a new petersham.

A square-necked blouse with an appliqué lace top will bring it into line with the new models which are being shown in Paris at the present time.

Rather coarse string coloured lace is preferable, and the short puff sleeves can also be made of it.

A Russian velvet blouse, with high swathed neck line and cutting down one side of the front, in crimson, cherry or violet, is another idea for giving an extra year of life to a tired black evening dress or instep length skirt.

Cold Weather Sweets

DELICIOUS served with a sprinkling of caster sugar and a squeeze of lemon juice are these feather-light dumplings.

Ingredients: 4oz. flour, 2oz. shredded suet, 2oz. currants, ½ teasp. baking-powder, and a pinch of salt.

Mix with water to make a stiff paste. Divide into pieces the size of an egg and drop these into fast-boiling water.

Boil quickly for 20 minutes, moving them about at first to prevent sticking to the bottom.

Baked Roly Poly

Family favourite made with ½lb. flour, 3oz. dripping or margarine, ½ teasp. baking-powder, jam.

Rub the dripping into the flour and mix with water to a stiff paste. Roll out on a floured board, then spread with jam.

Roll up, and bake on a greased tin for three-quarters of an hour in a moderate oven.

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Hot Water Crust

RAISED meat pies are always a popular standby. Here is a recipe for the hot-water crust.

Ingredients: 1lb. flour, 6oz. lard, ¼pt. water, ½ teaspoonful salt.

Bring lard and water to the boil, then stir it into the flour and salt, and knead to a dough. Place dough on a floured board, allow to stand for five minutes, then knead to a light dough.

Shape the greater portion of the dough with the hands into a hollow pie. The pastry must be kept warm or it will crack. When raised, fill with seasoned meat.

Wet the edges with cold water and cover with a lid made from the remaining piece of crust. Brush over with milk and decorate with diamonds of paste.

Make a slit in the pastry and fix in a funnel of parchment paper. Put the pie in a hot oven for 20 minutes to half an hour, reduce the heat; cover with parchment paper soaked in cold water, and cook for another 1½ hours.

Pour in a little good, hot stock with a little dissolved gelatine added. Leave to set.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

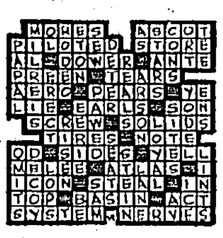
ACROSS

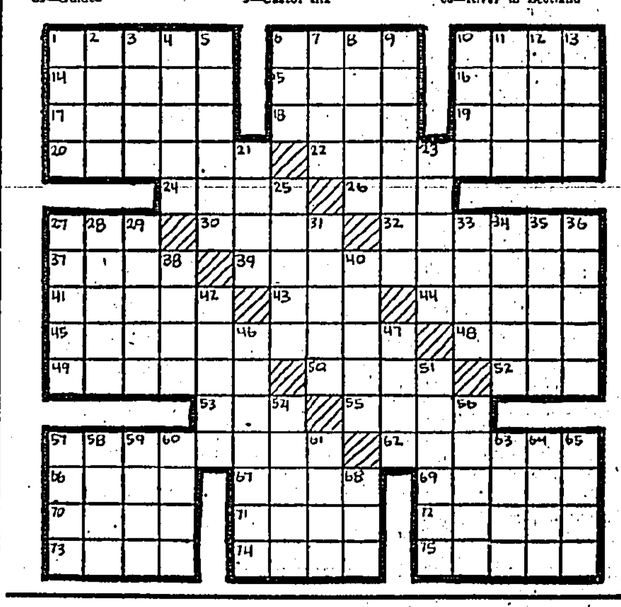
1—Articles in list
6—Crust formed on wound
10—Bet in poker
14—Editor of "Notes and Queries" (died 1875)
15—Secretary of State
16—Fruit covering
17—Ancient Roman magistrate
18—Illustrious Italian family
19—Chronological divisions of history
20—Set firmly in place
22—Welsh ship-building center
24—Without interest
26—Capital of Brazil
27—Diminutive person
30—Frozen water crystal
32—Sacrifice of Hindu wife on funeral pyre of husband
37—To let fall
39—Three vowels combined to produce one sound
41—Second month of spring
42—As done in
44—Oriental guitar
45—Stripped of furniture
48—Satisfy appetite of
49—Property left after death
50—Uttered
52—Allow
53—Devour
55—Require
57—Flapped
62—Guides
66—Ireland
67—Wife of Geraint
69—Apportion
70—Skin on cheese
71—Any
72—Mediterranean power
73—Military local
74—Source of wood
75—Paths

DOWN

1—Fifteenth of March
2—Implement for skidding logs
3—Castor oil
4—Fortified British island
5—Contemptuous insinuations
6—This woman
7—Point of crescent
8—Change
9—Disfiguring defect
10—One who imitates
11—Roman emperor
12—East-Indian tree
13—Otherwise
21—Drive in forcibly
23—Boxing matches
25—French dramatist (died 1730)
27—Avoid by trickery
28—Method of calico-printing
29—Foremost in place
31—Determines to do
33—To this degree
34—Summation
35—Growing out
36—Type of heron
38—Capital of Peru
40—Song of exultation
42—More recent
43—In most immediate vicinity
47—Congressman now investigating subversive activities
51—Narrate minutely
54—Manner of progress
56—Greek letter
57—True skin
58—Great Lake
59—Metal containers
60—Terminates
61—Ten cents
63—Impetuous rush
64—Part in play
65—Pertaining to pigpen
68—River in Scotland

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE





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By Ernie Bushmiller

Begins To-day—The Greatest Story of the R.A.F.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" to-day is privileged to present serially this dramatised version of Alexander Korda's great film, "The Lion Has Wings." It is the greatest story yet told of the Royal Air Force, and is specially written by Ian Dalrymple, from whose brilliant idea the film was evolved.

FIVE minutes to eleven on the morning of September the third, five minutes more of peace . . .

The sun shone quietly over this pleasant isle of ours. The white clouds cast a pattern of shadows over the green and pleasant land. A haycart moved along a road. Two horses plodded in a field.

Gulls mewed above the downs, and in a hollow behind the cliffs minute figures crawled upon the close cropped turf. The small black things they had come in were motor-cars. There were bathers in the sea.

In the villages and towns where British people lived and worked the autumn sunshine flooded down. It touched the old time faces of barns and buildings into new life and smiled on High-streets and back gardens and car parks and ancient churches and arterial roads with an impartial geniality.

It was good to be a native of Britain and to be alive on that September morning, except for the relentless passing of those five minutes.

Perhaps it was only the imaginative who thought they saw an ominous dulling of the sunshine, as if a shadow crept over the earth.

There was an uncanny silence for one thing. The sky held no aeroplanes, and wherever people congregate, there they congregated in little knots.

Was there an ochreous film over the familiar scenes and the accustomed places as if the forces of destruction warred somewhere overhead but out of sight?

There was that feeling about London. There was a woman who stood in a window looking down upon the street. She felt it strongly, a slowing down of momentum, as if the buses and the traffic and the people moved without intention, as if all the happy racket and business and all the things she knew and used to take for granted would gradually stop.

There was a man with a poster which said: "Time limit for Nazis," but he was not selling papers.

He stood in a little group who seemed uncommunicative, as if they were waiting for something. They were. A taxi stopped, and its driver descended and began to look into the sky.

The woman turned her head and spoke to her companion.

"D'you think . . ." she said.

The other girl looked silently at the clock above the mantelpiece and then at the waiting wireless set.

She rose slowly and walked over to it and stood for a few moments drumming on the lid of it with her fingers. Then with a sudden movement she switched it on.

From the interminable silence the voice of the Prime Minister emerged faintly and swelled into full volume.

"Up to the very last it would have been possible to have arranged a peaceful and honourable settlement . . ."

Their eyes met in the steady stare of knowledge.

"It is evil things that we shall be fighting. Bad faith. Injustice. Oppression and persecution. Against them I am *certain* that Right will prevail." Someone coughed. The National Anthem broke forth . . .

SUDDENLY the door opened and two men broke in and stopped. Both were in Air Force blue, one Wing Commander, the other a Flight Commander.

The girl at the mantelpiece wheeled round, crossed to her husband in surprise, and took him by the arm.

"Are we at war, then?" he asked.

She nodded slowly. "Mr. Chamberlain's just spoken, Bob."

"What was it he said yesterday?" the Wing Commander asked. "'To satisfy *one man's* vain, senseless ambition. . . .'"

The Flight Commander had crossed to the other girl, and taking her hand in his.

"He did his best to stop it, June."

Merle spoke again. "Ralph—are we ready?"

"You mean, are we prepared?"

She nodded and the little movement spoke to all Britain.

"Never better," he answered grimly.

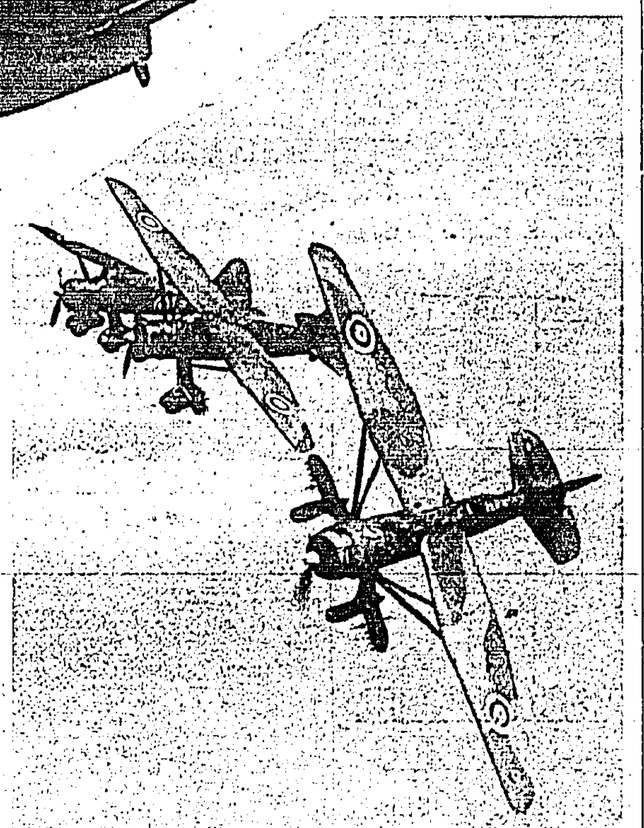
"Ralph, what are you doing here?"

"Now station. I—we've only got a second."

"Oh, Ralph!" She clung to him. He kissed her. Bob took June's hand and led her into the tiny hall. He jerked his hand tactfully to the drawing-room of the little flat.

She smiled. "Good luck," he said.

He swallowed and looked at her in a dumb sort of way.



A year ago, the Royal Air Force was rated less than half as effective as the German. But planes now coming off the line at the rate of 1,000 a month have brought the R.A.F.'s first-line fighting force up to 3,000 planes. Among them is the Westland Lysander, an observation ship shown below "peeling off" before dropping bombs.

"All right," she whispered.

He kissed her suddenly, taking her in his arms.

"When you come back," she suggested in a whisper.

"You mean . . . married?"

She nodded.

Ralph Richardson was tugging at his arm.

God bless you, my dear, goodbye."

"Good-bye."

"Good-bye, Ralph. Take care of yourself."

"Good-bye . . . good-bye . . . good-bye."

The two women ran to the window and leaned out. They saw two airmen, any two airmen, get into a cab and drive away. Gently Merle waved, her hand fluttering in the light like a dancer's scarf.

And at that moment the sound broke over London, the wild wailing of the mechanical banshee, the maniacal ululations of the air-raid signal.

So war came to England, hurriedly at first and without overmuch of drama.

Richardson and Bobby reached their unit, well-trained cogs in an immense and powerful machine. Britain's Air Force, a new and deadly enemy to Nazi Germany, on its toes, alert and eager.

A few short days passed and the Nazi undersea pirates began their work.

As the Athenia crossed the Atlantic death was stalking its innocent passengers. A voice spat out an order, a torpedo snaked through the sea, there was a deafening explosion, and those innocent passengers paid the first toll of warfare.

The resonant drone of Britain's Air Force deepened as it moved into its stride. Battleships of the air stood ready and waiting.

So did the young aviators, direct descendants of Britain's past heroes of sea and field. The atrocity of the sinking of the Athenia was something that must be revenged with deadly swiftness.

They had not long to wait.

SHORT, staccato orders were barked into a telephone and carried from the Chief of Air Staff down to the Station Commander. A certain plan was transmitted.

"Zero hour nineteen hundred . . ." From mouth to mouth the instructions were passed.

The first blow against the enemy was to be struck.

The Station Commander turned briefly to his Intelligence Officer.

"You've got all the necessary information?"

The I.O. nodded curtly. "Yes, sir."

"All right, carry on!"

The Intelligence Officer turned to one of the wing commanders. "Barran, can I have your pilots and crews here in a quarter of an hour?"

More instructions were flashed into telephones. The machinery began to click over with a fascinating efficiency. From lofty hangars emerged the giant planes selected for the hazardous job ahead.

Petrol, gallons of alcohol, poured in a never-ending flow into the tanks, guns were loaded with ammunition, bombing apparatus was fixed and tested, and bombs were loaded carefully into their allotted places.

Nothing must be left to chance. But it is the way of the Briton that, the more perilous and important the task, the lighter the heart with which he tackles it.

Even at this moment—prelude to an expedition that carried death as the price of failure—there was room for a joke.

From his pocket an aircraftman produced a piece of chalk, and selecting a bomb he carefully printed on it: "ONE FOR ADOLF," and he patted the bomb almost with loving care before it was loaded on to his plane!

IN the Bombs Operation Room Intelligence - Officer Douglas stood before a large map. With complete informality the pilots and crews lounged around the vast table, waiting their last instructions.

"All the people here?"

"Yes, sir," replied the chief pilot. "How many aircraft?"

"The full six."

"Right." The I.O. paused. "Well, boys, you're in luck . . . no propaganda leaflets this time. It's the real thing."

"Good!" replied one of the men, and excited grins spread across the faces of the rest.

"Now," continued the Intelligence Officer, "We've received information that the German pocket battleships are making towards the mouth of the Kiel Canal.

"By the time you get there they should be just inside. Your job is to secure direct hits on the battleships.

"Here are six copies of your route and weather forecast. You cross the coast at Chillingham—fighter command will be informed—change the course to 110 degrees. . . ."

He continued the technical information which the R.A.F. men absorbed carefully.

"I want cameras taken, of course. Exact data of what we achieve is important. Anything else?"

"Well, there's just one thing. I take it there's no balloon-barrage there?"

The I.O. shook his head. "Not if you stick to your route."

"Good," replied the chief pilot. "Well, that's the lot."

"Good luck."

"Thanks."

Without any more fuss the men started to move out of the room.

"What about our party to-night?" asked one of the crew to another.

"What are you doing to-morrow?" was the reply.

"O.K. Make it to-morrow," grinned the other, and he patted his friend cheerfully on the shoulder.

And so the adventure began. . . .

Propellers whirred, engines leapt to life like giants awaking from a brief slumber, and slowly, one after the other, the six planes moved slowly across the ground.

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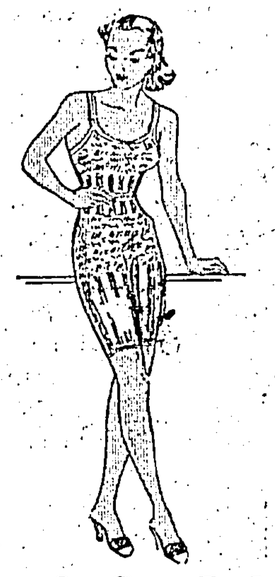

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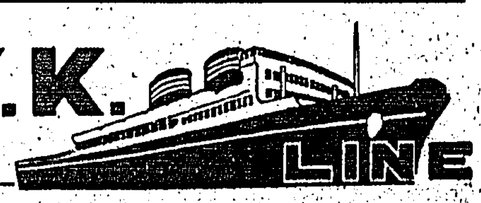

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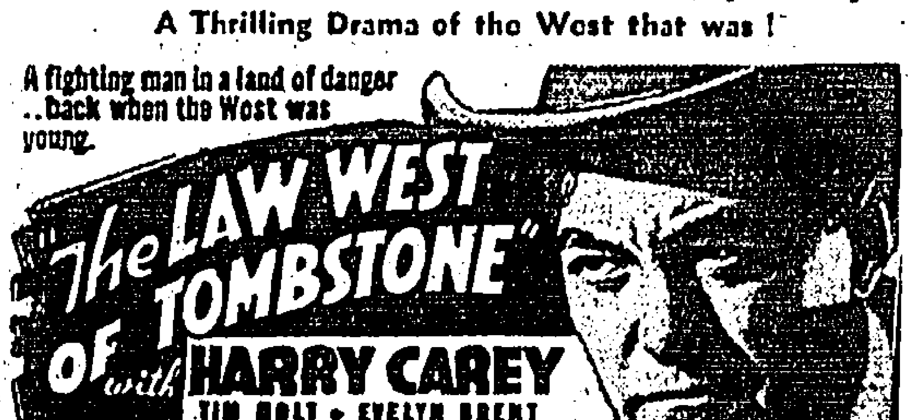

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Hitler Sends Congratulations

TOKYO, Feb. 12 (UP).—Hitler has sent a message to Emperor Hirohito expressing congratulations on the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire and the wish for further prosperity of the Japanese Imperial Household.

Chinese Prisoners For Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 12 (UP).—The Japanese War Minister has informed the Diet that the Army authorities are considering bringing Chinese prisoners of war to Japan in order to fill the demand for labour in certain unspecified types of work.

MAY SWAMP COUNCIL

Japanese Seek To Control S. M. C.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—For the first time in years, Shanghai is likely to see a fierce election battle as a result of tentative plans by the Japanese Residents' Association to secure an additional seat on the Shanghai Municipal Council, the governing body of the International Settlement.

By tacit agreement among the various national groups, the present ratio of seats on the Council—five British, two American, two Japanese and five Chinese—has stood for years, but it is being threatened by the decision of the Japanese to put up a third candidate.

If a third Japanese is elected, it will be at the expense of the British or American representation, as the number of Chinese on the Council is fixed by an agreement between the Chinese Government and the foreign Powers with interests in the Settlement.

Elections In April

Election day this year has been fixed for April 10 and 11, and if the Japanese plans are not changed before then Shanghai will see a heated election battle.

The Japanese candidates, whether two or three, will have the solid backing of some 30,000 rate-paying Japanese voters living in various parts of the Settlement, mostly in Hongkew, which is at present under Japanese occupation.

In previous years, Japanese voters have always been herded to the polls on election day in the fashion which New York's Tammany Hall used to adopt to swamp the ballot boxes. This method is expected to be repeated this year.

HE COULDN'T FIND RED INK!

SHANGHAI, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—A Russian living in Shanghai recently took out Soviet papers and returned to the U. S. S. R.

Before leaving, he told his friends that if his first letter was written with blue ink, everything he said would be true. If, however, he used red ink, the conditions he rescribed would be exactly the opposite to actual facts.

In due course a letter arrived. It was written in blue: "Life in Russia is wonderful. I have found a comfortable room for a small sum, and my wages enable me to go to theatres, cinemas and art galleries and to buy good books. There are milk, eggs, bread and meat aplenty.

"The only thing I cannot find is red ink."

CHINA'S FIRST MARINE SCHOOL

CHUNGKING, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—China's first national marine college has been inaugurated aboard the steamer "Kiangshun."

The college has three departments, comprising navigation, engineering and shipbuilding, while the term of study will be four years. It was founded upon the decision of the Supreme National Defence Council.

It is learned that of 90 students admitted to the college, after passing their examinations 40 will take up shipbuilding, 30 engineering and 20 navigation.

The college is under the strict control of the Ministry of Communications.

Labour Wins By-Election

LONDON, Feb. 12 (British Wireless).—In view of the political truce, the Labour candidate for the Central Southwark by-election was unopposed by Government, and although two unofficial candidates were put forward, the result was so little in doubt that only 24 per cent. of the electorate polled.

The result was: J. Martin (Labour) 5,283; C. Searson, described as a "Stop War" candidate, 1,550; Mrs. Van Der Elst, national independent, 1,382.

CLIPPER DEPARTS

The Honolulu Clipper left for Manila this morning with the following passengers:

Mr. Harry Baldwin, Manager of the Luneta Motor Company, Manila, returning after a brief sojourn in Hongkong with his sister, Miss Ann C. Baldwin; Mr. Chester F. Sharp, Manager of the Chester F. Sharp & Co., well-known shipping agents in Manila, who made a rapid overnight business trip to the Colony; Mrs. Kathryn Yost, wife of an U.S. Army officer at Fort Mills, returning after a pleasure visit to Hongkong; and Mr. Li Kwong, Chinese merchant.

HUNGARIAN LEGION

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moderate success, then the question of German mediation ought for the first time to become reality.

The allegation in the German official "Diplomatiche Korrespondenz" that the Western Powers do not wish "in any event to end the war in the north" is taken by the "Basler Nachrichten" as one of the many signs that Germany would be relieved if peace were restored to Finland.

WESTERN FRONT

New Cold Wave Stops Warfare

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A new cold wave has reduced activity on the Western Front.

In the air, two or three photographic missions were all that either side undertook.

On land, there was some patrol activity, but fighting occurred only at one spot east of the Moselle, where the Germans attempted to surround a French outpost.

The Germans were repulsed by machine-gun fire before the intended attack could be launched.

In the absence of other developments, the Germans are particularly active on the propaganda front, Paris and other centres having been overwhelmed with reports of big German troop movements.

Most of these stories mention ten divisions.

Information at the disposal of the French High Command does not indicate that there is any significant change in the German dispositions.

Still Nil To Report

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A communique states that there is nothing of importance to report.

COLDEST WINTER IN HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—With further frost and snow, the present winter ranks as the coldest in Holland's history, according to the Dutch Weather Institute.

The record-breaking cold spells of 1855 and 1891 have been left well behind.

The River Waal 20 miles below Njimegen is ten inches higher than she has ever been owing to dams caused by ice-floes. Hence an increasingly serious flood situation is developing.

THYSSEN LOSES NATIONALITY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—Fritz Thyssen, "the man who made Hitler" has, despite previous Nazi denials, been deprived of his German citizenship.

The ban is effective with regard to his wife, Amelie.

An official announcement to this effect was made to-day by Dr. Wilhelm Frick, the Minister for the Interior.

The order became effective on February 4.

When Fritz Thyssen and his wife fled to Switzerland, they left behind in Germany his coal-mines, his armament factories and his millions.

All have been seized by the Nazis.

LATE NEWS

FREIGHTER SCUTTLED

Another Nazi Ship Sent To Bottom

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 12 (UP).—Members of the crew of the British cruiser H.M.S. Hawkins, which arrived here at 7 p.m. to-day, stated that the German freighter Wawama (3,771 tons) which left Rio de Janeiro yesterday, has been scuttled by her own crew.

The fate of the German crew has not been revealed, but the "United Press" has been informed that none are aboard the Hawkins.

Authoritative sources here state that the Wakama sent out an S.O.S. signal yesterday when she was off the Brazilian State of Espiranto Santos. She gave no reason for the signal.

She was loaded with lard, coffee, rice, hides and minerals.

Press reports state that the steamers Aranza Mendi and Bage have searched the area but found no trace of the vessel or the reason for her call for help.

The Wakama was en route to the mid-Atlantic to rendezvous other German ships for convoy in an attempt to run the British blockade. At least five German ships have left Brazilian ports in the last nine days.

Contemptible Nazi Attack

Fishing Coble Bombed Off Yorkshire

LONDON, Feb. 12 (British Wireless).—In a recent speech the Prime Minister declared that the Nazi raids on British fishing vessels are not war but murder. The justice of this accusation, says the "Yorkshire Post," is sharply revealed by news to-day of a contemptible attack by German planes on a tiny fishing coble off the Yorkshire coast.

Two fishermen and a boy were out in this boat when two Nazi planes swooped down and tried both to bomb and machine-gun them. All they could do was to crouch and make for shore. Once their boat was blown clean out of the water by the explosion of a bomb.

No Object

Attacks such as these can have no object but sheer frightfulness. Nazi airmen must get the same sadistic pleasure preying upon helpless fishermen as their Gestapo colleagues in torturing Poles, Czechs and Jews.

Such a story brought home by our own Yorkshire fishermen is a crushing reply to the excuses offered by German newspapers that British fishing boats are armed to fight Nazi raiders and that attacks on them are, therefore, honourable and legitimate. What arms had these two men and a schoolboy? A boathook?

FINNISH CITY WIPED OUT BY RED ARTILLERY

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but the fire of the Finnish batteries scattered their formations.

Mass Of Wreckage

Little remains of the village of Summa, in the centre of the Russian offensive, except that it is a mass of splinters from wrecked wooden houses, according to reports received here.

From the continued fury of the Russian attacks, it appears that the Russian commanders are staking everything on a break through the Mannerheim Line before the heavy snowfalls, which usually occur at the end of February, make further progress temporarily impossible.

Red Claims Refuted

The Russian claims of the capture of Finnish positions on the Karelian Isthmus are declared authoritatively to be "entirely without foundation."

It is learned that Viipuri was bombarded on Sunday evening by heavy guns from the Russian front. The city's electricity plants were damaged and the current interrupted for sometime. The damage was repaired later.

Russians Tiring ?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 12 (UP).—For the first time in many days the Russians did not open up their night bombardment on Viborg to-night with their 25-mile range guns.

They bombarded Viborg only with two series of twenty shells each which resulted in the death of one person.

The extent of the damage is not known, but it is noteworthy that the range of the guns precludes a large charge of explosives.

Soviet planes raided Viborg at 9 p.m. yesterday and there were two air raid alarms, one at noon and another at mid-night to-day.

There has been no bombing or long range shelling up to darkness to-day.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

Soon after opening this morning the market got into a good stride and remained active throughout the day. A broad spread over the whole list was embraced in the transactions reported, and the tone at the close is distinctly steady.

Buyers

H.K. Bank $1,390
Canton Ins. $212½
Union Ins. $460
Fire Ins. $180
Douglases $100
Providents $4.05
Hotels $5.60
Lands $35½
Tramways $18¼
Yaumati Ferries $24¾
China Lights (Old) $7.05
China Lights (New) $4¾
Electrics $57
Cements $19.15
Ropes $5.70
Dairy Farms (Old) $21.80
Dairy Farms (New) $21
Watsons $9.40
Entertainments $7

Sellers

Providents $4.80
Tramways $18.45
China Lights (New) $5
Cements $19¼

Sales

H.K. Bank $1,402½
Union Ins. $470
Wharves $102
Docks $22.35/.50
Providents $4¾
Hotels $5.70
Lands $36
Tramways $18.30/.40
Star Ferries $68½
Yaumati Ferries $24¾/25.
China Lights (Old) $7.80
China Lights (New) $4¾
Macao Electrics $20½
Cements $19.50/.20.
Dairy Farms (New) $21

UNIVERSITY LECTURE

An illustrated lecture on Western Australia will be given by Prof. W. Brown to-morrow at 6.00 p.m. in Room K of the University.

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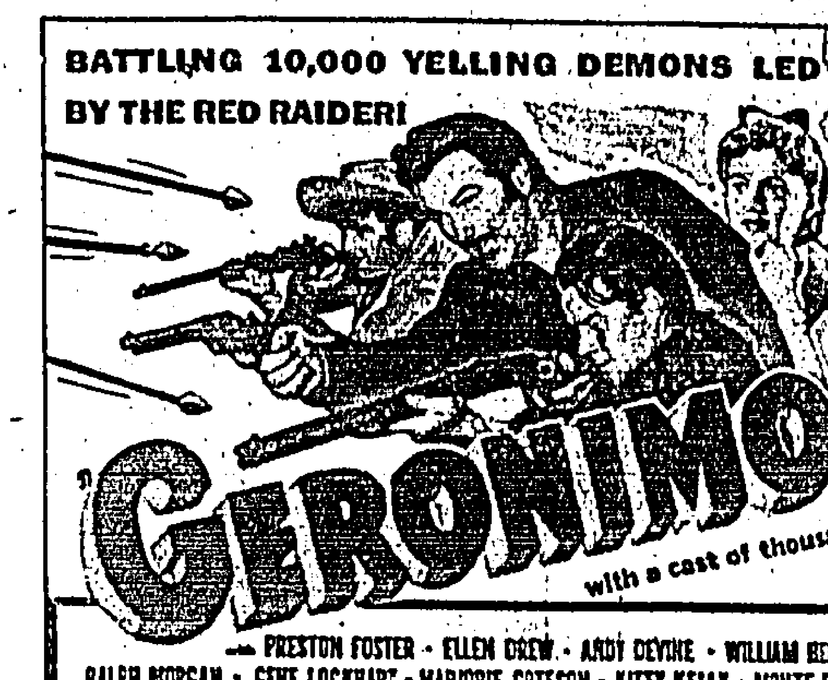

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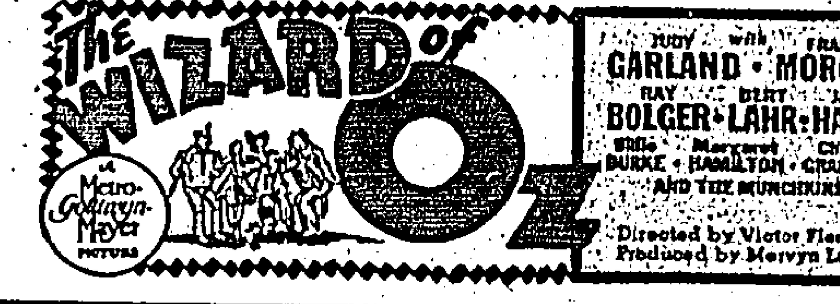

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Rumoured Attempt To Arrange Armistice For April 1

ROOSEVELT BELIEVED HOPEFUL OF EUROPEAN PEACE BY JUNE

MAY CALL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN AMERICA

WASHINGTON, FEB. 13 (REUTER).—IS PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT PREPARING THE WAY FOR THE CALLING OF AN INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE IN AMERICA SO AS TO END THE WAR BY JUNE 1?

This is one of the questions forming fruitful ground for speculation. Yesterday it was suggested that such a "peace drive" would be a useful spring board for his third term.

In certain democratic quarters, it is even rumoured that he hopes to arrange an armistice by April 1 and peace two months later.

After reaching that pinnacle of success, it is suggested, he will announce his retirement from the 1940 campaign and turn his toga over to a faithful servant. He will then devote the remainder of his term to the development of economic stability between the United States and Europe.

In Republican circles, however, it is felt that he is determined to run for a third term. There is no local issue strong enough and so he must turn to the international field for a plank for his campaign.

AS THIS RECENT photograph was taken at the White House, President Roosevelt had temporarily cast aside the cares of State to become plain grandpa to these two youngsters. Little fellow on the right is John Boettiger, son of John Boettiger, Seattle publisher. On the left knee is Franklin D. Roosevelt, 3rd., son of Franklin D. Jr.—*Domei.*

Mrs. Roosevelt Joins In Denunciation

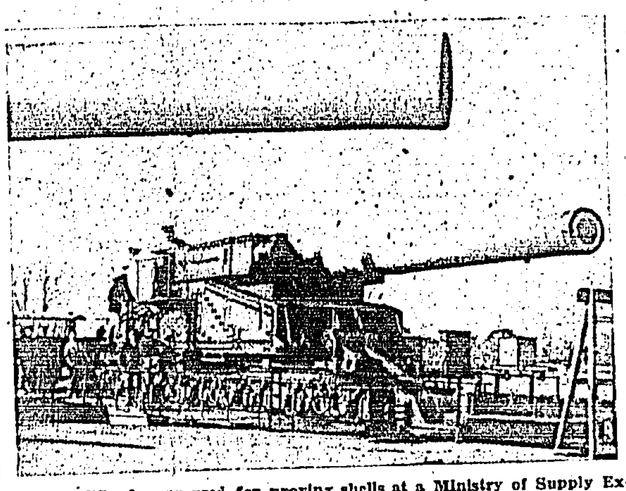
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Mrs. Roosevelt has joined her husband in denouncing Soviet Russia's invasion of Finland.

She told the American Youth Citizenship Institute, which harbours a few Communists, that there never was just cause for a big country to invade a little one. "Our sympathy as a free people should be with Finland," she said.

At the beginning of her address, she asked that hissing or applause be held until the end of the general forum.

Nevertheless when she spoke about Finland, sporadic hissing broke out here and there.

There was hissing and some disturbance earlier in the meeting when a young delegate from New Jersey tried to introduce a resolution calling for the expulsion of all Communist members and attacking the Soviet invasion of Finland. He was immediately seized by uniformed Department of Labour guards and ejected.



TYPES of guns used for proving shells at a Ministry of Supply Experimental Establishment in England, where all types of ammunition, from the heaviest naval shell to the smallest machine gun cartridge, are proved worthy of supply to the troops in France.—*Photo courtesy of B. B. C.*

EXTRAORDINARY NAZI PRECAUTION AGAINST CZECHS

PARIS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—There is considerable activity among the German military authorities in Prague, states a "Havas" correspondent in a dispatch from the German frontier.

This correspondent adds that there are new movements of troops in Bohemia and Moravia towards Slovakia.

Hospitals in these regions have been ordered to reserve 50,000 beds from March 1.

The correspondent states that the Protectorate authorities have ordered the military authorities to organise defence against a possible Czech rising.

There have been fresh arrests in Prague, especially among the members of Dr. Eduard Benes's former party.

Rumania Mobilising

BUCHAREST, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Rumania has called up 200,000 Army reservists in what is officially termed a "test mobilisation."

Officials state that during the mobilisation of last year, plans failed owing to a lack of organisation, discipline and communications.

Reds Sign Pact With Germans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is officially announced from Moscow that the Russo-German Trade Pact has been signed, following seven weeks' negotiations in Berlin and Moscow.

The pact is believed to provide for the reciprocal delivery of goods totalling 1,000 million Reichsmarks in value.

The German deliveries will consist of machinery and industrial products while the Russian deliveries will be chiefly oil, ores, fodder and naptha.

It is understood that Germany will provide the entire plant for the manufacture of artificial rubber and also a quantity of modern oil refining equipment.

The construction of these works in Russia will be under German engineers and specialists.

Vatican Comments On Wang Ching-wei

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 13 (UP).—For the first time in many months, the "Osservatore Romano" comments on the war in China to-day.

Considerable attention is devoted in the article to Wang Ching-wei. The Chinese puppet, the Vatican organ points out, has failed to break down Chinese resistance against the Japanese.

"It is not easy to foresee the future in the Far East," the paper states.

"It is certain, however, that the treaty between Wang Ching-wei and Japan, whilst aiming at undermining Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's policy, has not obtained, and is not obtaining, the effect of disarming Chinese resistance."

U-Boat Meets Its Masters

LISBON, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is believed that a German submarine was destroyed when a French and British destroyer dropped depth bombs ten miles off Cascaes yesterday. The submarine was attacking the British freighter Oregon.

Mr. William Yinson Lee, who has just returned from a month's visit to Manila, will be the speaker at next Thursday's luncheon meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club at St. Francis Hotel, his subject being "The Chinese and the Philippines."

Red Offensive Believed Ended

By WEBB MILLER
UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT

WITH THE FINNISH ARMY, Feb. 12 (UP).—There is every reason to believe that the great Russian offensive against the centre of the Mannerheim Line, which enters its thirteenth day to-day, has almost spent its force.

The Reds have failed to achieve any one of their objectives, and the strength of the most recent attacks indicate that they will not now do so.

I spoke by telephone this morning to Finnish G.H.Q., and they confirm this impression.

The Russians will probably renew their offensive.

There are, in fact, indications that they intend to try and force a decisive phase before foreign aid to Finland becomes fully effective.

Aid For Finland

Details of the extent of aid Finland is receiving, or is about to receive from foreign sources are a closely guarded secret.

I learn, however, that it is arriving on a much larger scale than is generally realised, either in Finland or abroad.

With six or eight weeks, for instance, the Finns will have enough fast fighter planes in the air force to make air raids a dangerous business for the Russians.

Defences Pierced?

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Russians appear to have pierced the outer defences of the Mannerheim Line, according to the Helsingfors correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," who says that Soviet forces are now pressing against the main Finnish bulwarks.

The Finns, the correspondent continues, are showing signs of tiring under the strain of the biggest battle since the war began.

The Soviets are now using eight and 12 inch demolition shells with which they are plastering the whole 15-mile depth of the Mannerheim Line. The whole Karelian Isthmus is quaking with the thunder of thousands of these shells.

Ceaseless Attack

Over 300,000 Soviet troops have been engaged in a ceaseless attack which has gone on for 24 hours without a let-up. Both sides have suffered heavily, and it is estimated that one Soviet division has lost 12,000 men in two days of fighting.

The Reds have brought up huge 70-ton tanks, each with three gun-turrets and some of these monsters have already been put out of action.

In spite of terrific pressure, the Finnish communique retains its spirit of confidence, and says that 73 tanks have been destroyed in 24 hours and that nine planes have been shot down.

700 Planes Arriving

OSLO, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The "Aften Posten" reports that 700 planes are expected to arrive in Finland by the end of this month.

Four hundred, says the paper, will be supplied by Britain and France, 100 by Italy and others by various countries.

CONSTABLE SAVES TWO

Plunges Into Harbour To Free Victims

THE COURAGE of an Indian constable saved the lives of a woman and a man who were trapped in the cabin of a motor lorry which plunged off Connaught Road into the harbour shortly after 5 o'clock this morning.

One woman passenger was drowned.

The lorry, which was proceeding eastward along Connaught Road skidded on the greasy surface of the road and somersaulted into the water.

All three occupants were trapped.

The Indian was standing nearby when the incident occurred and immediately plunged in after the lorry.

He succeeded in extricating the man and woman from the cabin but, despite repeated dives, was unable to release the other woman.

Her body was later recovered.

The greasy nature of the road was later borne out when Traffic Sergt. W. Sullivan, who was despatched to the scene by motor-cycle, skidded and was thrown off his vehicle at almost the identical spot. He was uninjured.

Efforts are now being made to raise the lorry from the harbour.

LATEST

SWEDEN TAKES NO CHANCES

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Sweden's northern line of fortifications against any Russian threat to central and western Scandinavia—the Boden Line—is now in the highest state of efficiency and preparedness, learns the Stockholm Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The central Boden fort, constructed between 1900 and 1902, has now been

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SOVIET IS AROUSED

Moscow Anger Against Allied "Aggression"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Feb. 12 (UP).—The Soviet Press has renewed its charges against the Allies, accusing them of seeking to spread the European conflict.

"American capitalists are also awaiting a convenient moment to enter the second imperialistic war, "Izvestia" says.

The paper added that the Red Army "will fulfil its fighting task with increased stubbornness and bravery.

"When the bourgeoise countries decide to attack the Soviet Union they will be convinced that the Red Army enjoys numberless friends and allies in all corners of the world, from Shanghai to New York and from London to Calcutta.

"Red Star," the Army organ, and "Trud" the Trades Union organ, as well as the official "Tass" news agency, join in the comment on foreign developments.

Waiting Opportunity

"The United States has not yet entered the second imperialistic war," says "Trud" in an editorial.

"The American capitalists are simply waiting their opportunity. Meanwhile, they are earning tre-

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BIG DUTCH SHIP SUNK

Nazi U-Boat Sinks Neutral Liner

ROTTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The 6,853-ton Holland America liner, Burgerdijk, has been torpedoed by a German U-boat, according to a cable received by the owners from the Captain of the Dutch steamer.

The Holland-America Line have informed the Dutch Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the torpedoing of the Burgerdijk.

The pretext for the torpedoing of the ship is not clear.

It is learned that the vessel was nine-tenths laden with goods destined for the Dutch Government, including a quantity of grain. The remaining one-tenth consisted of piece-goods for individual Dutch importers.

The vessel was bound for Rotterdam and did not plan to touch a foreign port, so there could be no question of contraband.

The affair is regarded here as an even more flagrant violation of International Law than the recent torpedoing of the motorship, Arendakerk, which was carrying non-contraband goods to South Africa.

This is the 13th ship lost by

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THREE YOUTHS EXECUTED

BERLIN, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The German Government announces the execution of three Berlin youths for attacking and robbing a worker during a black-out.

The worker, says the official announcement, managed to swim to safety after they had flung him into a stream.

1,000 PLANES A MONTH FROM U.S. FACTORIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Within the next four weeks, the American aviation industry will commence mass delivery of 1,000 planes per month, on order by the United States and foreign governments.

A "United Press" survey reveals that the industry is now engaged in the greatest mass production era in its history.

Aviation plants are everywhere working to capacity in 24-hour shifts.

British and French orders for 1,450 combat planes have already been filled, but the factories still must complete production of additional 7,700 planes for U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and foreign purchasers.

The foreign orders are nearly all from Britain or France.

They have paid for delivery of a total of 5,000 planes, of which total only 1,100 have so far been delivered.

Internal defence orders are for 4,450 aircraft, of which only about 350 have been delivered.

Foreign nations have paid for armaments worth U.S.$204,000,000, of which 90 per cent. are aircraft.

French purchases total $121,000,000 and British $21,000,000.

400 GERMAN STEAMERS WATCHED BY THE NAVY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Some four hundred German ships are now tied up in neutral ports throughout the world, testimony to the vigilance of the British Navy.

Harbour dues alone represent a staggering burden for German shipowners.

It is estimated here that it is costing Germany £350,000 a month for harbour dues alone. In addition, harbour dues are the wages of the crew and there are the wages of the crew and the maintenance of the vessels.

The crippling cost of meeting these expenses explains the recent tendency of German ships to slip out of harbours and take their chances on a zig-zag run homewards.

The practice of neutral countries regarding overdue harbour charges appears to vary, but most countries have reserved the right to seize and auction any ship to cover these charges.

It has frequently been suggested that the British authorities take a lively interest in these auctions as an opportunity for acquiring ships cheaply.

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Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. London	1/2.27/32
Demand do.	1/2.27/32
T.T. Shanghai	.333
T.T. Singapore	52⅝
T.T. Japan	.104
T.T. India	82¼
T.T. U.S.A.	24⅛
T.T. Manila	49⅛
T.T. Batavia	45¾
T.T. Bangkok	149⅞
T.T. Saigon	108½
T.T. France	10.88
T.T. Switzerland	108
T.T. Australia	1/6⅛

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3.5/32
4 m/s D/P Do.	1/3.9/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25⅛
4 m/s France	11.40
30 d/s India	84
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02½
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.97⅝

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks $ (c.d.)	1,402½ sa.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) £ ex. div.	85½ n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) £ ex. div.	87½ n.
Chartered £	9 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £	31 n.
Mercantile, C. £	12¼ n
East Asia $	78 n.

INSURANCES

Canton $	212½ b.
Unions $	470 sa.
China Underwriter $	1¼ s.
H.K. Fire $	180 b.

SHIPPING

Douglases $	100 b.
Steamboats $	10½ n.
Indo-Chinas P$	100 n.
Indo-Chinas D.$	80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	73/9 n.
Waterboats $	7½ n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves $	102 sa.
Docks $	22.35/50 sa.
Providents $	4.80 s.
New Eng. Sh.	30½ n.
Sh. Docks Sh. $ (x.d.)	345 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	18/- n.
Raubs $	10 n.
Venz. Gold $	4 n.
H.K. Mines	3½ cts. n.

LANDS

Hotels $	5.70 sa.
Lands $	36 b & sa.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
S'hai Lands Sh. $	18 n.
Humphreys $	8¼ n.
H.K. Realties $	4.55 n.
Chinese Estates $	101 n.

UTILITIES

Trams $	18.30/.40 n.
Peak Trams (old) $	8 n.
Peak Trams (new) $	4 n.
Star Ferries $	68½ sa.
Y. Ferries $	24¾/25 sa.
China Lights (old) $	7¾ b.
China Lights (new) $	4¾ b.
H.K. Electrics $	57 b.
Macao Electrics $	20½ sa.
Sandakan Lights $	11¼ n.
Telephones (old) $	25.40 n.
Telephones (new) $	9.20 n.
Tractions s/-	19/6 n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/-	19/9 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald: Macg. (Ord.), Sh. $	14.90 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $	12 n.
Canton Ices $	1 n.
Cements $	9.15/.20 sa.
H.K. Ropes $	5.70 b.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old) $	21.80 b.
Dairy Farms (new) $	21 b.
Watsons $	9.40 b.
Lane, Crawfords $	7½ n.
Sinceres $	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) $	41 n.
Powell, Ltd. $	1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. $	37 n.
S'hai Cotton Sh. $	179 n.
Zoong Sing, Sh. $	44 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $	48½ n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments $	7 b.
Constructions (old) $	1¾ n.
Constructions (new) $	1 n.
Vibro Piling $	8¾ n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. Bonds	80% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan	95¾ n.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/-	15/3 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-	4/- n.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE (opposite the lower Peak Tram Station) on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1940, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and Wednesday, the 6th March, 1940, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's office, Stock Exchange Building, Ice House Street, at NOON on THURSDAY, the 22nd February, 1940, but intending exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as early as possible.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscriptions and ALL THOSE who wish to join the Society are requested to send $5.00 to the undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1940.

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Entries close on Saturday, 24th February.

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Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs:—Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on the 17th February, 1940.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

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INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 3rd Feb. Feb. 13.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th January) ....Feb. 13.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 7th Feb. Feb. 14.
Canton ....Feb. 14.
Canton ....Feb. 15.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 8th Dec., 1939) ....Feb. 15.
Manila ....Feb. 15.
Straits ....Feb. 15.
Shanghai ....Feb. 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 20th January). Feb. 15.
Australia and Manila ....Feb. 16.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 9th February ....Feb. 16.
Haiphong ....Feb. 17.
Japan ....Feb. 17.
Shanghai ....Feb. 17.
Shanghai and Amoy ....Feb. 17.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 26th January). Feb. 17.
Canton ....Feb. 18.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon ....Feb. 18.
Shanghai ....Feb. 18.
Japan ....Feb. 19.
Shanghai ....Feb. 19.
Straits ....Feb. 20.
Straits and Manila ....Feb. 20.
Japan ....Feb. 21.
Java and Manila ....Feb. 21.
Straits ....Feb. 21.
Calcutta and Straits ....Feb. 22.
Shanghai ....Feb. 22.

OUTWARD MAILS

Tuesday, Feb. 13

Tientsin (Parcels only) ....5.00 p.m.
Saigon ....6.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 21st Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. ....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 13, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. ....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 19th Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. ....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 13, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. ....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu
G. P. O. and K. P. O.
Reg. ....Feb. 13, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 14, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco, (No Parcels for Canada)—due San Francisco, 1st March.
K.P.O.
Parcels ....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Reg. ....Feb. 14, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 14, 10.30 a.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels ....Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
Reg. ....Feb. 14, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 14, 10.30 a.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 14

Bangkok ....8.30 a.m.
Shanghai ....3.30 p.m.
Ford Bayard and Hoihow ....1.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Province only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 22nd Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. ....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 14, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg ....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord ....Feb. 14, 7 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th March—and London Parcels—due London, 20th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Parcels ....Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Reg. ....Feb. 15, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 15, 10.30 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 15

Canton ....7.15 a.m.
Sandakan ....12.30 p.m.
Shanghai ....12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard ....2.30 p.m.
Haiphong ....3 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 16

Amoy ....8.30 a.m.
Tourane ....8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 28th February.
K.P.O.
Parcels, ...Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg., ...Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels, ...Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg., ...Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only) ....12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—Due San Francisco, 23rd. February
K.P.O.
Reg. ....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. ....Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....Feb. 17, 7.30 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 17

Shanghai and Japan ....10.30 a.m.
Shanghai ....2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 25th Feb.
G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Reg., ...Feb. 17, 5 p.m.
Ord., ...Feb. 17, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 18

Shanghai ....9 a.m.

Monday, Feb. 19

Canton ....7.15 a.m.
Dairen ....9.30 a.m.
Haiphong ....1 p.m.
Canton ....7 p.m.

Old Woman's Strangulation

Callous Crime, Says Crown Prosecutor

"Brutal and callous."

These words were used by Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when he referred to Lau Tin-yeung and Lau Tau, charged with the murder of a 63-year-old woman named Lam Po at Ap Man Liu village, Saikung district, on November 5.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor heard the case, assisted by the following Jury: Messrs. D. Buchanan (Foreman) Lo Tai-yau, E. W. Sharp, L. C. Baker, A. E. Gutierrez, Ho Shiu-que and C. P. Grant.

Mr. Inglis Hosang, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, represented first accused and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. A. el Arculli, was for the second.

Mr. Williams said the murder was committed in a brutal and callous manner, the woman being strangled in order that her cries for help should be drowned.

Accused, Mr. Williams alleged, went to steal chickens from the woman's house and when she called for help they strangled her.

Scene Of Crime

Describing the scene of the crime, Mr. Williams said Ap Man Liu village is about five miles away from the Sai Kung Police Station.

Accused lived in the Tin Liu village about half a mile away from the old woman's place, which consisted of only a few blocks of buildings.

The dead woman kept pigs and chickens.

On the day of the murder, continued Counsel, Yee Hing, a neighbour, was awakened by the sound of squawking chickens and two calls of "save life."

Yee went to his front door but found that he had been shut in by some fastening on the outside. He called out loudly "save life," to warn his mother, who lived in another house and who subsequently came to his door and unfastened some wiring which released the door. Yee then went to Lam's house and saw Lam lying on the floor.

Not Bravest Of Men

Yee, was not the bravest of men and he immediately went back and told his mother what he had seen.

The Police were subsequently informed and they arrived at the scene at 7.40 a.m. on November 6, and investigations were conducted. It was noticed that Lam's trousers were loose and there was no girdle. Sergeant Mottram saw that the bedroom was in a state of chaos and confusion.

Both defendants, carried on Mr. Williams, lived in Tin Yiu village, Lau Tau residing with his father.

The other accused, Lau Tin-yeung, did not return home until November 20.

His father accused him of being a bad son and of stealing chickens. To this he replied: "I took her chickens, the old woman was standing in the door. I pushed the door and she fell down."

Lau Tau continued Mr. Williams, was a cripple and he was seen in the old woman's village on November 5. Nothing more was known about his movements until 6 a.m., the next day when he returned home and left later. On November 22 the two accused were arrested together in a teahouse in Taipo market and the constable told them what he arrested them for and cautioned them.

Had Fallen

When charged, said Mr. Williams, Lau Tau said he had no intention of killing Lam. She had been standing inside a door and he had pushed it from the outside.

Lam Po had fallen, he said. Lau Tin-yeung admitted that there had been an arrangement to steal the chickens.

Dr. H. H. Tai, M.O. of the Kowloon Public Mortuary, in evidence, said that in his opinion cause of death was due to strangulation and the probable cause of that was manual. He agreed with Mr. Williams that the external and internal conditions of the body agreed with that view. The injuries could not have been caused by the woman having been knocked down. Assuming that the woman's hands were clenched at death, that indicated that death was by violence.

The case is proceeding.

COLD WEATHER RETURNING

Warm air from the China Sea and the very strong anti-cyclone over China have caused the considerable rise in the Colony's temperature, the Royal Observatory told the "Telegraph" to-day.

But the weather will get cold again in a few days.

At noon to-day the temperature recorded was 74 degrees, four degrees higher than for the same time yesterday.

The lowest mean temperature has risen from 49.7 degrees on February 3 to 65.4 degrees yesterday.

NEW CURRENCY FOR POLAND

THE Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper Neue Zurcher Zeitung reported that the so-called "Issue Bank" in Cracow has been authorized to issue bank notes in zloty currency. These will be the only legal tender in German occupied Poland.

The rate of exchange of the new notes for the old has not yet been stated.

SPEEDSTERS IN COURT

Several Chinese drivers were fined by Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning for speeding.

T. S. Chang, of the Dragon Garage, was fined $10 for driving in Queen's Road East, inside the controlled area, at a speed between 26 to 28 miles per hour on January 6.

Similar fines were imposed on Lam Shek, lorry driver, and Tse Choy, public car driver, for driving at excessive speeds. Tse was said to have done 36 miles per hour inside the Queen's Road East controlled area.

Lau Man, lorry driver, was also fined $10 for speeding. Sgt. Sullivan said Lau was doing from 36 to 40 miles per hour along King's Road on January 5. The road was clear.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

Soon after opening this morning the market got into a good stride and remained active throughout the day. A broad spread over the whole list was embraced in the transactions reported, and the tone at the close is distinctly steady.

Buyers

H.K. Bank $1,390
Canton Ins. $212½
Union Ins. $460
Fire Ins. $180
Douglases $100
Providents $4.65
Hotels $5.60
Lands $35½
Tramways $18¼
Yaumati Ferries $24¾
China Lights (Old) $7.65
China Lights (New) $4¾
Electrics $57
Cements $19.15
Ropes $5.70
Dairy Farms (Old) $21.80
Dairy Farms (New) $21
Watsons $9.40
Entertainments $7

Sellers

Providents $4.80
Tramways $18.45
China Lights (New) $5
Cements $19¼

Sales

H.K. Bank $1,402½
Union Ins. $470
Wharves $102
Docks $22.35/.50
Providents $4¾
Hotels $5.70
Lands $36
Tramways $18.30/.40
Star Ferries $68½
Yaumati Ferries $24¾/25.
China Lights (Old) $7.80
China Lights (New) $4¾
Macao Electrics $20½
Cements $19.50/.20
Dairy Farms (New) $21

CHINA'S FIRST MARINE SCHOOL

CHUNGKING, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—China's first national marine college has been inaugurated aboard the steamer "Kiangshun."

The college has three departments, comprising navigation, engineering and shipbuilding, while the term of study will be four years. It was founded upon the decision of the Supreme National Defence Council.

It is learned that of 90 students admitted to the college, after passing their examinations 40 will take up shipbuilding, 30 engineering and 20 navigation.

The college is under the strict control of the Ministry of Communications.

SOVIET IS AROUSED

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mendous profits from the sale of arms which are preparing the ground."

"Tass" reported the Roosevelt speech to the American Youth Congress on Sunday, in which the President attacked the Soviet. The news agency, however, did not report the text of the speech but simply quoted "press despatches from Washington."

It claimed that the 4,000 delegates to the Youth Congress reacted coldly to the President's speech, especially when he attacked the Soviet Union.

Defence Chiefs Meet

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Feb. 13 (Domei).—The Italian Supreme National Defence Council is meeting daily under the chairmanship of Signor Mussolini.

Developments in the Balkans and the progress of the European wars are the principal objects of discussion.

To-day's meeting, which commenced at 4 p.m., lasted for two hours. The Council will meet again to-morrow.

Italian Decision

ROME, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is understood that the National Defence Council has decided that, until May, the international situation lays upon Italy the obligation of accumulating, for national purposes, the yield of her factory labour.

BIG DUTCH SHIP SUNK

FROM PAGE ONE

Holland during the war and the third torpedoed.

Norwegian Ship Sunk

OSLO, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Norwegian steamer, Nidarholm, 3,482 tons, was sunk on Monday, according to a telegram received by the owners. The crew were saved.

UNIVERSITY LECTURE

An illustrated lecture on Western Australia will be given by Prof. W. Brown to-morrow at 8.30 p.m. in Room K of the University.

U.S. TO CONSTRUCT BIGGEST BOMBERS

NEW "air dreadnoughts" planned for the United States will, it is expected, be twice the size of the U.S. Army's present "flying fortresses."

It is stated in reliable quarters at Washington that army officials have filed with the Budget Bureau a request for about £1,000,000 to build five planes of this type.

It is understood that they are designed to have greater speed and range than any military bombing planes known to exist.

They will, it is reported, weigh about 70,000 pounds without bomb loads, as compared with the 38,000 pounds of the present biggest bombers, and each plane will have four motors of 2,000 horse-power or over, compared with four motors of 1,000 horse-power at present.

The U.S. Army has had under construction for some time a super-fortress of the air, to weigh about 150,000 pounds.

This plane is being hurried to completion in a special hangar of the Douglas Aircraft Company at Santa Monica, California. No other planes of this type will be built until the present one has been thoroughly tested.

Experience gained in the construction of this air giant will be used in building the five new bombers.

A 42 cylinder aeroplane engine, said to be capable of lifting an aeroplane vertically into the air, is being developed secretly in the United States, according to a report presented at the convention of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers at Philadelphia.

The report stated that this new liquid-cooled engine "might possibly be able to sustain a speed of 400 miles an hour."

An important aviation official who attended the convention told the New York Times that the motor, which was a closely guarded Government secret, could be used to equip pursuit planes, as it was designed to withstand terrific speed.

He declared that the engine would be of 4,000 horse-power.

The largest aeroplane engines now in use have only 18 cylinders, although one of 24 cylinders was on view at the New York World's Fair.—*Reuter.*

FINLAND FUND

The total donations to the Friends of Finland Fund now amount to $7,733.50 and a further £200 has to-day been remitted by telegraphic transfer to Finland, making a total of £465 from Hongkong.

Launch Mined Off Foochow

180 Believed Dead In Chinese Tragedy

FOOCHOW, Feb. 13. (Reuter).—More than 180 persons—including many travelling to spend the Chinese New Year with their families—were killed when a launch struck a mine on the river between Foochow and Kwangtao, below the anchorage.

The tragedy occurred in the early hours of Saturday, January 27.

The mine, which caused such terrible havoc, is reported to have broken loose and to have drifted from a Chinese minefield near the mouth of the Min River.

There were only seven survivors and the vessel was completely destroyed. Among those killed were a number of Mission School students and a member of the Maritime Customs staff, who had obtained leave to visit Shanghai to meet his wife and six children during the Chinese New Year holidays.

About eight bags of outward mail bound for Shanghai were also lost.

HAVEN FOR WAR REFUGEES

CHICAGO, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The creation of a haven for refugees in Central Africa was advocated by Mr. Herbert Hoover in a speech at a dinner of the Jewish Welfare Fund, which opened its 1940 campaign on Sunday.

Mr. Hoover said that for 150 years, the United States had been the sanctuary for people seeking a free life. She was no longer this sanctuary, due to unemployment and similar troubles of her own. But a haven must be found for refugees who wish to build a new civilisation, and Africa affords the best hope.

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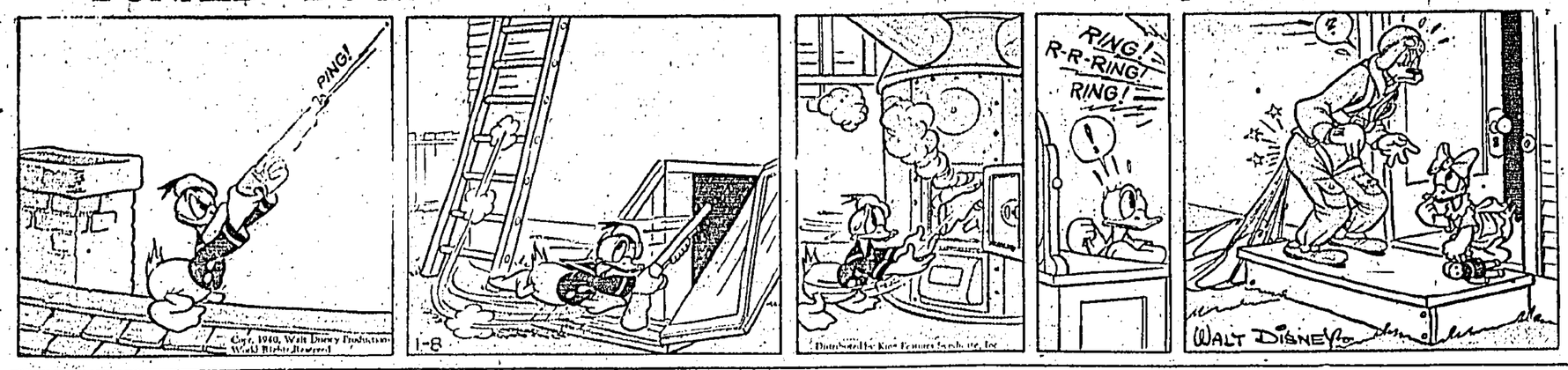

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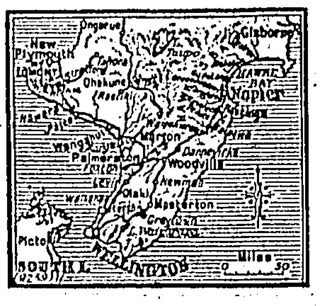

IN THE last war Australia mobilised 412,953 men, of whom 331,781 were sent overseas.

The cost of equipping and maintaining these forces was borne by the Commonwealth.

It was the Australian land and sea forces which reduced and occupied the Solomon Islands, the Bismarck Archipelago and other German colonial possessions in the Pacific.

In Egypt Australian troops helped to repel the early attacks by the enemy on the Suez Canal.

In 1915 came the Dardanelles campaign, and after the withdrawal from Gallipoli the bulk of the Australian infantry was sent to France.

By 1916 Australia had five infantry divisions on active service while the greater part of two divisions of cavalry served in Palestine.

The Australian Expeditionary Force lost 58,132 dead and had a total casualty list of 214,360.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SUEZ, FEB. 12 (UP).—THE FIRST CONTINGENT OF THE FAMOUS ANZACS—THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS WHICH WON FAME AT GALLIPOLI AND LATER IN THE WESTERN FRONT IN THE LAST WAR—SANG "ROLL OUT THE BARREL" FROM THE DECKS OF THEIR PARADE OF LUXURY LINERS AS THEY PASSED THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL IN A LINE THAT STRETCHED BEYOND THE HORIZON.

They were a fine-looking body of men, thousands strong, wearing the Digger hats that were famous twenty-five years ago.

Long before they disembarked their raucous "Cooees" told Egypt that the Anzacs had arrived.

BRADMAN'S SCORE

"How many has Bradman scored in the Sheffield Shield?" was a sergeant's first query as the men started to come down the gangplanks.

Captain Anthony Eden, Minister for the Dominions, flew to Egypt to welcome the Diggers on behalf of the King.

The Australians and New Zealanders disembarked without losing one man on the voyage.

Their parade of luxury liners was the biggest troop convoy the world has seen in over a quarter-of-a-century. The voyage, over 10,000 miles, was also the war's longest.

As in 1914, the Anzacs are remaining in Egypt—for the present.

They will live in camouflaged tents which include showers, cinemas, swimming pools, an Australian National Travel Association bureau and recreation rooms.

The Australian and New Zealand troopships merged into a single convoy at sea.

They were escorted by units of the Royal Australian Navy and the Royal Navy.

Tall, tough and tanned, many of the men who disembarked to-day are repeating a momentous day in the lives of their fathers, for it is just over 25 years ago that the first Australian and New Zealand contingents disembarked at the identical spot. On April 25, twenty-five years ago this year, they participated in the landing at Gallipoli.

Lieut. General Sir Thomas Blamey, the gaunt Digger of the 1914-18 War, is Commander in Chief of the second A.I.F. Major General B.C. Freyberg is commanding the N.Z.E.F.

Army Of Million Men

These Antipodeans are joining an Allied Army in the Near East already estimated to number upwards of a million men. They are ready for any eventuality in this part of the world.

In the last war the Turks were their enemy. To-day, the Turks are friendly and there is no fear of an attack on the Suez Canal from that direction.

The defence area assigned to the Near East forces stretches from Rumania in the north to Aden in the south and from Egypt in the west to the Caspian Sea in the east.

Leaders Confer

The arrival of the Anzacs coincided with the return of General Weygand, the French C. in C., to his headquarters at Beyruet, after consulting with General Wavel, the C. in C. of the Army in Egypt.

Although the consultations were naturally secret, it can be taken for granted that the Allied generals discussed how best to use the colourful armies from many races under their commands if the war spreads to the Balkans, the Near East or the Middle East in the spring.

After six weeks of sea life, the Anzacs were a bit weary of travelling, and they let themselves go when they arrived to-day.

They cheered Captain Anthony Eden, they cheered the British C. in C., they cheered their own leaders and they cheered the Egyptian officials who had turned out to give them an enthusiastic welcome.

"Roll-Out the Barrel" sang the visiting fighters, with a special emphasis on that line—"for the gang's all here."

They were grand, bronzed men, and they grinned with delight.

When they go into action against the Nazis, their victory "Cooee", judging by to-day's effort, is likely to be heard all the way to Australia and New Zealand.

Cream Of Youth

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Anzacs who landed in the Suez Canal zone yesterday are described here as the cream of the Dominions' youth.

All the New Zealanders under 30 and most of the men of both forces are professional men, artisans and so on, representing the cross-section of the two Dominions' manpower.

Anzacs Entrain

EL ONTAR, Egypt, Feb. 12 (UP).—The Anzacs have entrained for an undisclosed destination.

NEW ZEALAND, the British Dominion that boasts that it is more British than England, consists chiefly of two islands with an area of 102,000 square miles.

On January 26 last, New Zealand celebrated its centenary as an integral part of the British Empire.

The Dominion has a Labour Government, which came into power in 1935 and was the first Socialist government ever to gain office in the Dominion.

Like the Australians, the New Zealanders covered themselves with glory in the last war. They participated in the Gallipoli campaign and served later in France.

Population of New Zealand is 1,536,000, of whom 143,000 lives in the capital, Wellington.

WHILE the Queen talked to Mrs. V. H. Warren, with her dog Bobbin (left) the little girl had eyes for no one but Her Majesty, who later inspected the 1st Bosham Girl Guides.

NETHERLANDS TO WIPE OUT NAZI TRADE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Domei).—British warships, scattered over the seven seas, have completely swept the German merchant marine from the seas.

Over 800 German steamers are tied up in neutral ports, eating nearly £500,000 a month of Germany's slender gold reserves.

British gold is helping to defeat Hitlerism.

It is buying American planes and American munitions on a colossal scale.

It is financing the war at the rate of £6,000,000 a day.

It is encircling Germany with a ring of neutrals bound, not alone in sentiment against Nazilsm, but in trade pacts which offer much more for their goods than Germany can offer.

Rumania, Turkey, Yugo-Slavia, Greece, Denmark.

Now the Netherlands is preparing to conclude a trade pact with Britain which will monopolise practically her entire foreign trade, according to informed quarters.

£100,000,000 A Year

Negotiations for the new Anglo-Dutch pact have reached the stage where it is believed that the agreement will shortly be signed.

Holland's exports are valued at £100,000,000 per annum.

Netherlands East Indies' exports, comprising mainly sugar, tin, rubber and oil, total about £50,000,000 per annum.

Meanwhile, Holland's treaty of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement with Japan expires on July 31, and negotiations are to start between the two countries for another treaty.

Italy Joins In

ROME, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—An Italo-Turkish trade agreement under which Italy will replace Germany as the purchaser of certain Turkish commodities, is reported to be imminent.

Negotiations have been under way for several weeks, state informed quarters, and the agreement will cover nearly twice Italy's present trade with Turkey.

Plans For Revolt In Sweden

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Plans for a revolution in Sweden in which "all means would be permissible so long as they lead to the Communist goal" have been discovered at Gothenburg after raids on Communist centres, according to the Stockholm radio.

The radio also stated: "The Chief of Police stated that among the finds was a manual of strategy and tactics for the coming revolution. Codes and evidence of espionage activities were also discovered."

Japanese Pay $10,000 A Life

Bombing Of China

FOOCHOW, Feb. 13, (Reuter).—Every Chinese death here caused by Japanese air raids costs Japan about $10,000 Chinese currency, observers calculate.

Japanese aircraft regularly visit the port in relays of, twos and threes continuously between 10 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. daily, the average casualties being about three killed and ten injured.

Thus hundreds of aerial bombs have been dropped in this locality since February, 1938.

HE COULDN'T FIND RED INK!

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A Russian living in Shanghai recently took out Soviet papers and returned to the U.S.S.R.

Before leaving, he told his friends that if his first letter was written with blue ink, everything he said would be true. If, however, he used red ink, the conditions he described would be exactly the opposite to actual facts.

In due course a letter arrived. It was written in blue: "Life in Russia is wonderful. I have found a comfortable room for a small sum, and my wages enable me to go to theatres, cinemas and art galleries and to buy good books. There are milk, eggs, bread and meat aplenty.

"The only thing I cannot find is red ink."

WESTERN FRONT

New Cold Wave Stops Warfare

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A new cold wave has reduced activity on the Western Front.

In the air, two or three photographic missions were all that either side undertook.

On land, there was some patrol activity, but fighting occurred only at one spot east of the Moselle, where the Germans attempted to surround a French outpost.

The Germans were repulsed by machine-gun fire before the intended attack could be launched.

In the absence of other developments, the Germans are particularly active on the propaganda front, Paris and other centres having been overwhelmed with reports of big German troop movements.

Most of these stories mention ten divisions.

Information at the disposal of the French High Command does not indicate that there is any significant change in the German dispositions.

Still Nil To Report

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A communique states that there is nothing of importance to report.

ENVOY PREDICTS "HELL LET LOOSE" IN THE SPRING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PALM BEACH, Florida, Feb. 12 (UP).—"All hell is liable to break loose in Europe this spring," said Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to London, in a speech at a social function here to-day.

It will be recalled that Mr. Kennedy, with the late Mr. Dodd, predicted that war would commence in September last year.

The U.S. Ambassador told his listeners that "London was a 'hot spot' in Europe to-day."

Despite his gloomy predictions, Mr. Kennedy revealed that he is returning to his post in the capital of the British Empire.

He will leave for London on February 24.

Beforehand, however, he will undergo a rigid medical examination.

He has not announced whether Mrs. Kennedy and his large family of children will return to England with him.

Big Conference

Concurrently with Mr. Kennedy's warning, a Paris announcement states that M. Daladier, the French Premier, presided over a big military conference at General Gamelin's headquarters to-day.

The conference was attended by all the Generals commanding front line army groups and armies, and also by commanders outside the front line zone.

Rome And Berlin

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—It is reliably stated that the forthcoming visit of Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, has been the subject of an exchange of views between Rome and Berlin over the week-end, in the course of which Hitler was in telephonic conversation with Mussolini.

President Roosevelt's move is still the leading subject of discussion in the German Foreign Office, although no statement as to the official attitude is as yet available.

Red Precautions

ISTANBUL, Feb. 12 (UP).—According to well-informed quarters, the Russians have been fortifying the Russo-Turkish-Caucasian frontier since the Russo-Turkish negotiations in Moscow terminated and M. Sarajoglu returned to Ankara.

MAY SWAMP COUNCIL

Japanese Seek To Control S. M. C.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—For the first time in years, Shanghai is likely to see a fierce election battle as a result of tentative plans by the Japanese Residents' Association to secure an additional seat on the Shanghai Municipal Council, the governing body of the International Settlement.

By tacit agreement among the various national groups, the present ratio of seats on the Council—five British, two American, two Japanese and five Chinese—has stood for years, but it is being threatened by the decision of the Japanese to put up a third candidate.

If a third Japanese is elected, it will be at the expense of the British or American representation, as the number of Chinese on the Council is fixed by an agreement between the Chinese Government and the foreign Powers with interests in the Settlement.

Elections In April

Election day this year has been fixed for April 10 and 11, and if the Japanese plans are not changed before then Shanghai will see a heated election battle.

The Japanese candidates, whether two or three, will have the solid backing of some 30,000 rate-paying Japanese voters living in various parts of the Settlement, mostly in Hongkew, which is at present under Japanese occupation.

In previous years, Japanese voters have always been herded to the polls on election day in the fashion which New York's Tammany Hall used to adopt to swamp the ballot boxes. This method is expected to be repeated this year.

Rome-Turin Train Derailed

ROME, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Five people were killed, 20 were injured and ten cars were damaged when a Rome-Turin train was derailed near Pisa because, to use the official phrase, of "excessive velocity."

The King and Queen, who were on holiday in a neighbouring town, rushed to the scene.

TREE VANDALS IN COURT

About 20 unlawful possessors of wild tree wood appeared before Mr. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Thirteen green wild trees, measuring from two to five inches in diameter with an average length of four to five feet, were exhibited in court. Besides these, dried trees and branches with a total weight of 148 catties were also exhibited.

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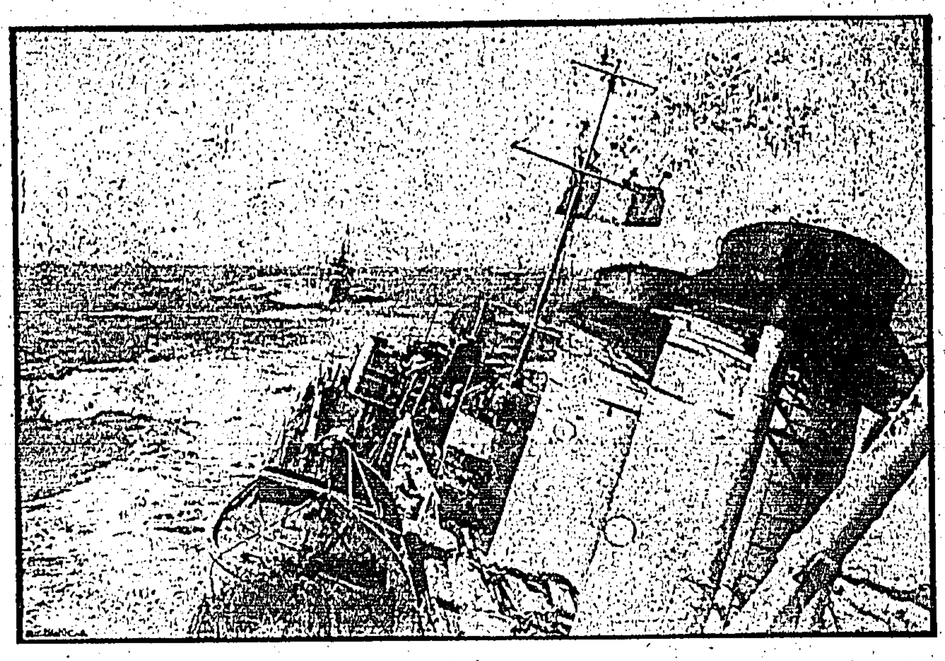
France's Case

Necessarily, much of the recently issued French Yellow Book, dealing with the march of events from Munich to the outbreak of war, is of value for the record rather than for the general reader. But it contains documents of historic importance, presenting familiar facts in greater detail and from a new angle. Its effect is to deepen the sinister impression which those facts had already left on all but the Nazi mind. No room for doubt remains as to where the guilt for plunging Europe into war must lie. War, it is made apparent, was forced on the Allies as the only alternative to ignominious and irretrievable capitulation. Had they shrunk from the fateful challenge they would have had to confess, not merely that "all is lost save honour," but that "all is lost, nor even honour saved." It is difficult to exaggerate the mingled arrogance and duplicity which formed the warp and the woof of German policy. The revelation of that unconscionable blend is alone sufficient to make irrelevant and futile the self-interrogation as to the Allies' war aims in which over-meticulous minds find distraction from the immediate business of winning the war. One might as profitably dispute as to what should be done with a jungle beast about to spring or a cobra ready coiled to strike at its victim.

Britain and France had, and still have, as this Yellow Book shows, only one possible resort for self-preservation, as well as for honour—to confront and end the imminent peril. Before they were driven to that conclusion, the Allies exhausted every effort to reach a peaceful solution which would not be a mere postponement of the clash, and a betrayal of the tranquillity and liberty of Europe. When they attempted to reach a reasonable accommodation, they were cheated and then flouted. Desire for conciliation was affected only as a cloak to the fulfilment of ulterior designs, and not at all as a token of their abandonment, and the cloak was thrown off as soon as its deceptive purpose had been served. Hitler was resolved on war. Of the evidence given to the world by France, not the least interesting is the provision of the French Ambassador in Berlin as early as May last of the possibility of Hitler making a pact with Soviet Russia for the partitioning of Poland. Assuredly the vivid character-sketch of Hitler, written by M. Francois-Poncet in October, 1938, helps to explain much that is most perplexing in Nazi policy. The German Chancellor is described as "capable of the worst frenzies, the wildest exaltations and the most delirious exhibitions," at which times "he upsets nations, continents, geography and history like a demiurge in madness." The likeness fits in with the amazing features of that mountain fastness at Berchtesgaden which Hitler has made his home.



Here are two French destroyers on patrol. The French Navy is doing its full share of the work of keeping the seas clear for Allied commerce

At Sea With The FRENCH NAVY

By William Forrest

News Chronicle Special Correspondent.

THE time was six o'clock in the morning and the place a seaport somewhere in the direction of Land's End. In the sailors' bar where I was having an early cup of coffee there were notices on the wall which said:

"Drinks Must Be Paid *Immediately*"

"No Noise Please.

By Order It is Strictly Forbidden to Sing."

I sometimes sing in the morning (who dosen't), but that morning, no. I was far too excited and nervous. For I was about to make my first trip in a submarine.

Half an hour later the commander, a little man with his hat set at the Beauty angle, welcomed us aboard. And "Bon jour, monsieur" was what he said.

You see, although these notices I have quoted were really written in English (and I am still wondering why) the submarine was French and the Land's End was Finisterre.

It was all very exciting: to stand on the conning tower as we sailed out into the Bay of Biscay; to dive and have lunch on the sea-bed, because it is much steadier down there; to stalk an "enemy" sloop and launch a torpedo against her; and to have depth charges dropped against us in return.

But it was only a mock encounter, and, except for the tyro perhaps, how much tamer than the real thing. So, at a time when the real thing is happening daily—as it might very well have happened to us—there is no point in a long and detailed account of our cruise. Only a few impressions.

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FIRST, the camaraderie aboard. That, I suppose, is inevitable in a submarine. It is not only the ever-present danger that draws everyone, officers and men, together, but the limitations of space compel them to be good mixers. There is no quarter-deck in a submarine.

Ours was one of the smaller class, only 600 tons, with a complement of three officers and 40 men—to say nothing of the dog, who answered to the name of Tout Petit. Everyone aboard was "tu" to the commander. Food (and such food!) was the same for officers and men alike. And the wine—who could wish for better than the *vin de l'intendance* of the French Marine? The grog, of course, goes without saying.

With all this camaraderie goes a perfect discipline. When the warning cry, "Nous allons plonger," passed round the ship every man sprang to his appointed station. Even the steward who was setting the table for lunch dropped the cutlery and ran aft to stand by one of the innumerable speaking-tubes.

I remember, as we dived, looking round at the bewildering mass of delicate machinery and thanking Providence that this vessel in which I was making my first ocean descent was not one of the chain-belt productions which Germany is said to be turning out at the rate of two a week. And as I watched the men, everyone an expert, manipulating their machines I could appreciate the force of Mr. Churchill's comment on the "chain-belt crews" which Germany must find for the U-boat fleet.

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BUT make no mistake: the French Marine, for all its justifiable confidence, is not scoffing at the enemy. Neither, for that matter, is Mr. Churchill; in the same speech he warned us against exaggerated optimism. Here in France, ashore and afloat, I have heard the same warning note as that which was sounded the other day by M. Paul Reynaud: "Let us beware of underestimating the strength of our enemy. The democracies will triumph, but only at the price of sacrifices."

The war at sea, unlike the war on land, has already begun, but it is only in its beginning. Less fortunate than Tirpitz, Admiral Raeder has no Grand Fleet with which to give battle on the high seas; he must rely on his U-boats and on his ocean raiders, the pocket battleships, the battle cruisers, Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, and the new 10,000-ton heavy cruisers, of which two, the Admiral Hipper and the Blucher, are now completed.

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APART from escorting the ocean convoys, the chief task of the Allied Navies now is to chase these German surface raiders off the seas. The British Fleet has made an excellent beginning against the Admiral Graf Spee, but for this sort of work a combination of speed, power and great range of action is essential. And it is here, surely, that the French Fleet excels.

Britain is building the ships (e.g., the King George V. class) that can cope with the Nazi raiders. France has already built them, e.g., the Dunkerque and the Strasbourg.

In England we are too prone to think that French sea power ended with Trafalgar and that the contribution of our Ally to the war is limited to her magnificent Army and Air Force. A glance at the map should be sufficient to correct that view. The French have the second greatest Empire in the world and such an Empire could not survive without a powerful fleet.

Carnot, who organised the victorious armies of the French Revolution, had his counterpart in Jean Bon Saint-Andre, who organised the navy which assured the freedom of France's maritime communications. In these same waters off Finisterre, where our submarine disported, a French flotilla in 1794 joined battle with the British and, although defeated, held the passage open for a great convoy of wheat from America.

To-day, with the co-operation of the British, the French Fleet is fulfilling the same essential service.

In the calm waters of a Breton inlet I transhipped from the submarine to the sloop. The submarine commander swore (and that's the right word) that I had no business to board the sloop since he had already sent her to the bottom with his unerring torpedo. The sloop commander swore (equally) that I had no right to come aboard since he had already blown the submarine and every man jack aboard to blazes with his unfailing depth charges.

By this time no doubt the two commanders have argued it out in the bar at——and I only hope they saw that notice in English which begs "No Noise Please." (But even if they did, what matter? In France, as in Britain, I have discovered "sailors don't care.")

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AS the sloop headed south a convoy with escorts passed to starboard, nearing journey's end. The commander was prompted to tell me the story of the luckiest ship in the French Marine—the destroyer Sirocco.

The Sirocco had just sunk her first U-boat, and everyone aboard was feeling cock-a-hoop. So, in order to give the other destroyers in the escort their chance of a kill, the Sirocco was sent away to the rear of the convoy.

But, towards the end of the day, up came another U-boat, skulking in the wake of the convoy and waiting for the moment to strike. The Sirocco lay behind the U-boat, hidden by the gathering dusk. But to the look-out on the Sirocco the U-boat was clearly visible, with her silhouette against the setting sun—and the guns of the destroyer made short work of the raider.

"I was in command of that escort," said the sloop commander, "and it was I who ordered the Sirocco to the rear."

He spoke with evident feeling.

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WHEN Dr. Goebbels gets tired of trying to divide the Allies by telling the French troops that the British are leaving all the fighting to them, he may be tempted to vary the manoeuvre by telling the British Navy that all the fighting in this war is being done at sea and by the British alone. "France is prepared to fight to the last British bluejacket," etc., etc.

Poor Dr. Goebbels! If he ever tries that line of talk, he will be telling it to the marines.

Do You Know The Next Medal To The V.C.?

The medal ranking next after the V.C. is a medal that hardly anybody has heard about—the Empire Gallantry Medal.

The official ranking of this medal was made known last week.

Its full official title is the Medal of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, but it is to be known generally as the Empire Gallantry Medal; and those who win it will put the initials E.G.M. after their name.

Only a few men have won it so far, and it is almost unknown even to members of the services.

The standard of gallantry required to win it is almost as high as that for the V.C., but, unlike the Cross, it may be won by civilians.

So far, however, no man outside the services has qualified for it, as civilians are rarely in circumstances where they can show gallantry in the face of the enemy.

A big air raid on the civil population might, however, provide an occasion for an air raid warden or a civil policeman to qualify.

Like the V.C., the E.G.M. can be awarded to a man who has been killed in action. This applies to no other decoration.

So far, only one instance of this has occurred. The late Commander F. R. Jolly, R.N., of the destroyer Mohawk, was awarded the E.G.M. after his death, but it was not generally realized that it was an unusually high honour because it was gazetted as "Medal of the Military Division of the O.B.E.," and few people outside the Chancery of the Order knew the importance of the honour.

It has been officially decided that in awarding naval decorations the Order of the British Empire shall be regarded as next in importance to the Order of the Bath. It will only be awarded for service of high merit.

When certain merchant navy captains were recently made officers of the order, the intention, officially, was to mark the fact that their conduct was of outstanding bravery.

Hitler The Scuttler Gives His Orders And—

ANOTHER NAZI LINER GOES TO THE BOTTOM

HITLER HAS SCUTTLED FOUR PER CENT. OF MERCHANT FLEET

SINCE the first day of the war Germany has lost four per cent. of her mercantile navy; twice the percentage of merchant losses suffered by the United Kingdom and the Empire.

This severe blow to the enemy is revealed in the Journal of Commerce and Shipping Telegraph.

Altogether the Nazis have lost eighteen ships (total tonnage 87,312) by sinking; and twenty-one ships of a total tonnage of 97,931 captured.

These figures are quite apart from the German ships which remain in Neutral ports.

Germany's pre-war merchant fleet amounted to 4,492,708 tons.

Here is a list of the ships sunk or captured, with tonnage:—

SUNK

Lianne (125), Olinda (4,576), Carl Fritzen (6,594), Inn (2,867), Helfrid Bissmark (727), Emmy Friederich (4,327), Togo (5,042), Mecklenburg (7,892), Parana (6,038), Bertha Fisser (4,110), Adolph Woermann (8,577), Minden (4,165), Borkum (3,670), Gonzenheim (4,574), Johannes Melkenbuhr (5,294), Halle (5,889), Watussi (9,521), Bolheim (3,324).

CAPTURED

Cap Norte (13,615), Blanca (1,375), Biscaya (6,369), Poseidon (5,864), Leander (980), Gloria (5,896), Rheingold (5,055), Uhenfels (7,603), Hagen (5,988), Nida (915), Pomona (3,457), Christoph v. Doornum (3,751), Hannah Boge (2,337), Konsul Hendrik Fisser (4,458), Eilbek (2,185), Sophie Busse (215), Chemnitz (5,522), Trifels (6,198), Santa Fe (4,627), Ussukuma (7,834), Henning Oldendorff (3,618).

FINNISH CITY WIPED OUT BY RED ARTILLERY

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The furious Russian pressure on the Mannerheim Line, which has now been maintained for twelve days, appears to be increasing rather than diminishing.

Although there is no sign of the Finnish defences, weakening, the strain on the defenders is obviously becoming great.

A communique issued to-night makes clear that the short front at Summa—seven or eight miles wide—is being attacked by several Soviet divisions at once. Thus from 30,000 to 50,000 men are being thrown against the Finnish defences in this sector.

It is reported that some Russian troops are using metal shields about two feet wide for their advance in the snow.

An eye-witness states that Finnish block-houses and forts at the Summa front are standing up remarkably well to the tremendous hail of artillery fire to which they have been subjected during the past two weeks.

The Finns are fighting bravely but cautiously.

Meanwhile, somewhere in the interior of the country, Finland's Foreign Legion is undergoing intensive training to relieve the men at the front as early as possible.

Summa Obliterated

An official communique on the Finnish war states that the Russian attack on Summa is continuing even more violently than before.

Heavy Russian losses are mentioned. These losses include the total on all fronts of over 1,000 killed and 73 tanks destroyed.

The communique adds that several enemy divisions attacked in the Summa sector on February 11, supported by artillery, tanks and aeroplanes.

At the same time, the enemy attacked between Muolajaervi and Vuoksen, supported by 150 tanks.

Fighting continued near Taipale, the enemy attacking after four hours of preparatory artillery bombardment. The attack was repulsed.

The enemy tried to surround the positions on the Gulf of Finland and on Lake Ladoga by crossing the ice, but the fire of the Finnish batteries scattered their formations.

Mass Of Wreckage

Little remains of the village of Summa, in the centre of the Russian offensive, except that it is a mass of splinters from wrecked wooden houses, according to reports received here.

From the continued fury of the Russian attacks, it appears that the Russian commanders are staking everything on a break through the Mannerheim Line before the heavy snowfalls, which usually occur at the end of February, make further progress temporarily impossible.

Red Claims Refuted

The Russian claims of the capture of Finnish positions on the Karelian Isthmus are declared authoritatively to be "entirely without foundation."

It is learned that Vilpuri was bombarded on Sunday evening by heavy guns from the Russian front. The city's electricity plants were damaged and the current interrupted for sometime. The damage was repaired later.

Russians Tiring?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 12 (UP).—For the first time in many days the Russians did not open up their night bombardment on Viborg to-night with their 25-mile range guns.

They bombarded Viborg only with two series of twenty shells each which resulted in the death of one person.

The extent of the damage is not known, but it is noteworthy that the range of the guns precludes a large charge of explosives.

Soviet planes raided Viborg at 9 p.m. yesterday and there were two air raid alarms, one at noon and another at mid-night to-day.

There has been no bombing or long range shelling up to darkness to-day.

HUNGARIAN LEGION

Men Carry Their Own Equipment To Finland

TOULON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A party of 150 Hungarian volunteers for Finland left France for Scandinavia to-day. They are carrying equipment with them.

No British volunteers have gone to Finland as yet, stated Finnish circles in London to-day. Many had applied and filled in forms, however.

U.S. Sympathy

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—While Finland welcomes President Roosevelt's announcement in his speech to the American Youth Citizenship Institute that 98 per cent. of the United States sympathy is with the Finns, the only mention of the speech in Russia consists of a short New York despatch to the "Tass" official Soviet news agency.

This despatch merely quotes certain American papers to the effect that the speech was coolly received.

No "Apostles Of Peace"

ZURICH, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—"In the view of the Wilhelmstrasse, Germany is not prepared, at the moment, to act as an apostle of peace between Russia and Finland," states the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," who adds that stress is placed on the words "at the moment."

Great attention is being paid in Berlin to Soviet Russia's need for prestige.

It is thought that if the constantly renewed Soviet attacks on the Karelian Isthmus should achieve even moderate success, then the question of German mediation ought for the first time to become reality.

The allegation in the German official "Diplomatiche Korrespondenz" that the Western Powers do not wish "in any event to end the war in the north" is taken by the "Basler Nachrichten" as one of the many signs that Germany would be relieved if peace were restored to Finland.

Gough's Advice

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 13 (UP).—General Sir Herbert Gough urged the Allies to-day to help Finland by sending warships to Petsamo to destroy Russian ships there and by closing Murmansk harbour.

Writing in the February issue of "English Speaking World," the general reflected the feeling of influential military circles that France and Britain should give greater support to Finland. Sir Herbert led the Allied military mission which co-ordinated efforts against the Bolsheviks in the Baltic states in 1919.

At War With Us

"Though we are not at war with Russia," he said to-day, "she is at war with us. Not only is she at war with us as regards her plans for co-operation with Germany, passively, and actively when the opportunity comes, but she has positively committed acts of war against us already in providing a base at Murmansk for German ships of war, German submarines and other ships.

"France and Britain have declared they will grant every aid to Finland in their power. But so far that has only taken the shape of sending war supplies. It cannot be claimed this is all that is in 'their power.'

"There are rumours the French government pressed Prime Minister Chamberlain to do more, but the British government hesitates to take any step which might involve war against Russia.

"The practical step open to the Allies is not a great one, though its moral and material advantage to the Finns would be immense. It is merely to send a few ships to Petsamo to destroy what Russian ships are there, and then close Murmansk."

"Liberation" Promised

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Finland will be liberated from her present government and will be placed under the control of the people's government headed by M. Kuusinen—so says the Moscow Radio.

After kindly reference to Germany's "understanding and loyalty to the Russian cause," the Red announcer said: "There are no reasonable doubts as to how the Finnish question will be decided. Even the most fantastic reports from White Finland cannot alter the situation. The country will be liberated from the present regime and the real leaders will take over that direction."

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 12 (UP).—Members of the crew of the British cruiser H.M.S. Hawkins, which arrived here at 7 p.m. to-day, stated that the German freighter Wakama (3,771 tons) which left Rio de Janeiro yesterday, has been scuttled by her own crew.

The fate of the German crew has not been revealed, but the "United Press" has been informed that none are aboard the Hawkins.

Authoritative sources here state that the Wakama sent out an S.O.S. signal yesterday when she was off the Brazilian State of Espiranto Santos. She gave no reason for the signal.

She was loaded with lard, coffee, rice, hides and minerals.

Press reports state that the steamers Aranza Meridi and Bage have searched the area but found no trace of the vessel or the reason for her call for help.

The Wakama was en route to the mid-Atlantic to rendezvous other German ships for convoy in an attempt to run the British blockade. At least five German ships have left Brazilian ports in the last nine days.

Editorial Comment On Interports

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (UP).—The "North China Daily News" in an editorial entitled "The Interports" to-day said due to sickness and unusual circumstances resulting from the war, neither Shanghai nor Hongkong fielded the quality in their teams which might have otherwise been possible. However, it said both games displayed a higher standard of football than Shanghai was accustomed to see this year.

The editorial said that Shanghai's strength in the soccer world produced victories for the Interport eleven and the combined foreigners eleven, while "the tie in the match with the Chinese need not be emphasised owing to adverse comment some of the tactics employed generally aroused."

It added that the standard of play both in the soccer and rugger matches was not actually high, although both games were remarkable for the keen play throughout.

RUGGER MATCH

COMMENTING on the Rugby match, the paper said the ground conditions were against spectacular play, "but Hongkong persisted in the orthodox tactics for a dry day and won through superior genius of their outside forwards. This genius was well demonstrated against the formidable American Marines, who were given a lesson in the finer shades of the game which should benefit them in future matches.

The soccer matches suffered from much the same handicaps, but were remarkable more for the strong defence on both sides than for the attack, in which there was little which could be called spectacular or thrilling. In every case the criticism of referees should be deprecated, because their task is a hard one. Their decisions—which the press and close observers on the sidelines criticised—were probably as close to the truth as was possible under the circumstances."

THREE FROM ETON

THE Empire has five Governors-General. Four act as King's Deputy in self-governing Dominions; the fifth (the Viceroy) represents George VI as Emperor of India. Their average age is 50. Three are old Etonians.

Best-paid Governor-Generalship is India's, at present held by tactful financier, the Marquess of Linlithgow, a 51-year-old Etonian. His salary is 21,000 rupees a month (about £20,000 a year). Governor-General of Canada was 63-year-old novelist Baron Tweedsmuir ("John Buchan"). Like Australia's Etonian Brigadier-General Baron Gowrie (66), he drew a salary of £10,000.

New Zealand's Royal representative, Etonian Viscount Galway (47), and South Africa's Sir Patrick Duncan (68), are also Commanders-in-Chief of their Dominion's armed forces. Sir Patrick's salary is £10,000, but Lord Galway is the lowest paid Governor-General, with £5,000 a year and an expense allowance of only £2,500.

Eire has no Governor-General, as the function of the King is there performed by octogenarian Gaelic scholar Dr. Douglas Hyde, who styles himself President. Other sections of the British Empire are ruled by Advisers, Administrators, Residents, Commissioners and Governors, but with the exception of Northern Ireland's Governor, the Duke of Abercorn, who is a kind of junior Governor-General, these are in practice senior Civil Servants who deputise for Colonial Secretary Malcolm MacDonald rather than the King.

India's Big Part In War Effort

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—All parties in Parliament are carefully studying not only war contributions from the self-governing Dominions but those of India and the Colonies, learns "Reuter's" Lobby Correspondent.

The facts placed before Members of Parliament show that, in addition to Indian troops in France, large numbers are serving not only in India but elsewhere, and that volunteers have besieged recruiting offices in India in such numbers that the Viceroy has had to appeal for patience among those anxious to don uniforms.

Munitions and equipment are being manufactured in India not only for the Indian Army but for the general Allied cause.

Indian Navy's Work

Working in co-operation with the Royal Navy, the Royal Indian Navy is engaged in patrolling the Indian seas. The rapidly growing Indian Air Force has been able to assist the Royal Air Force in its multifarious duties.

India's economic contribution to the war effort is especially stressed by Members of Parliament, as India is supplying His Majesty's Government with large quantities of ammunition, made in Indian Ordnance factories, army over-coats, blankets, khaki uniforms, boots and other leather equipment.

Valuable Contribution

India has also contracted to supply 712,000,000 sandbags in addition to 200,000,000 ordered for air raids precautions.

The total involved is greater than the number supplied during the whole of the last war.

India has also supplied 30,000,000 yards of hessian for war purposes.

India's supplies of manganese and other ores have assisted munition factories to manufacture large quantities of Indian high grade mica, which goes into aeroplane construction, and large Indian exports of rubber, cotton wool, hides, skins, lac, hemp, timber, ground-nuts and linseed have all assisted in the essential demands of wartime.

Labour Wins By-Election

LONDON, Feb. 12 (British Wireless).—In view of the political truce, the Labour candidate for the Central Southwark by-election was unopposed by Government, and although two unofficial candidates were put forward, the result was so little in doubt that only 24 per cent. of the electorate polled.

The result was: J. Martin (Labour) 6,903; C. Pearson, described as a "Stop War" candidate, 1,550; Mrs. Van Der Elst, national independent, 1,089.

CLIPPER DEPARTS

The Honolulu Clipper left for Manila this morning with the following passengers:

Mr. Harry Baldwin, Manager of the Luneta Motor Company, Manila, returning after a brief sojourn in Hongkong with his sister, Miss Ann G. Baldwin; Mr. Chester F. Sharp, Manager of the Chester F. Sharp & Co., well-known shipping agents in Manila, who made a rapid overnight business trip to the Colony; Mrs. Kathryn Yost, wife of an U.S. Army officer at Fort Mills, returning after a pleasure visit to Hongkong; and Mr. Li Kwong, Chinese merchant.

TRIBUTES TO LATE GOVERNOR GENERAL

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—In a special broadcast from the B.B.C. the Hon. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner for Canada in the United Kingdom, said that the death of Lord Tweedsmuir brings a deep sense of personal bereavement. "Some of us," he said, "mourn the loss of an old and valued friend.

Lord Tweedsmuir's career was a perfect background to the function he was to perform in his crowning years.

Not only in the sphere of letters but in public administration, in the Army, in business and in Parliament, he played his full part, he continued.

He applied all these qualities to the practical duties of his high office.

Canada was like an open book before him and he turned over its pages with vivid and eager interest and gave his own interpretation of what he saw.

Canada mourns the loss of her Governor-General, concluded the Hon. Vincent Massey, but she will always be grateful for the presence in her midst of one who understood her so well and who so fully won her affections.

U.S. Press Tribute

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The American Press pays a warm tribute to Lord Tweedsmuir. It adds that the American public's regret expresses no formality but sincere sympathy.

President Roosevelt in a message states, "Mrs. Roosevelt and I recall with the greatest pleasure our meeting with Lord Tweedsmuir and express our deepest regret at his death."

Royal Sympathy

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The King and Queen have sent a message of condolence to Lady Tweedsmuir.

Ashes For Scotland

OTTAWA, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—It is understood that Lord Tweedsmuir's body will be cremated and the ashes sent to the United Kingdom.

In response to a message from the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, informing him of Lord Tweedsmuir's death, His Majesty the King has sent the following telegram:

"I thank you for your kind telegram on the very sad occasion of the death of Lord Tweedsmuir while holding the office of my representative in Canada.

"I share the grief which I know will be felt throughout the Dominion whose welfare he had so much at heart, and to whose service he devoted himself in the face of ill-health with unfailing energy and courage."

S. Africa's Condolence

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The Union Government has asked the accredited representative of South Africa in Canada to convey to the Canadian Government on behalf of General Smuts an expression of the most sincere sympathy in the grievous loss they have sustained by the death of Lord Tweedsmuir.

Canada Mourns

MONTREAL, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Flags were flown at half mast throughout Canada to-day as the Dominion entered into seven days of public mourning for the death of Lord Tweedsmuir.

Political warfare has subsided for the time being, and most of the social events have been cancelled.

Officers of the Canadian Grenadier Guards are keeping watch over the body which lies in a private chapel.

Units of the Militia, Navy and Air Force will line the route to-morrow when the remains will be conveyed to the station for removal by train to Ottawa.

SPLENDID GIFT FROM BAHAMAS

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Malcolm MacDonald has accepted, on behalf of the British Government, £20,000 which the Legislature of the Bahamas has given as a donation towards Imperial Defence.

His Excellency the Hon. Sir Charles Dundas, Governor of the Bahamas, has been asked to convey the British Government's appreciation of the gift to the Legislature and people of the Bahamas.

Hecht On Grand Larceny Charge

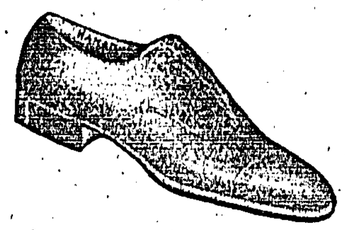
NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—Rudolph Hecht, who has instituted a million dollar suit against the Universal Trading Corporation, has been arrested on a home indictment, charging him in a grand larceny suit pending since 1935. Details of the suit have not been revealed, but the Attorney General's office says that the charge has arisen from stock-promoting activities.

The Pennsylvania authorities have also issued a warrant for the arrest of Hecht, but no details are revealed.

Baltic Military Chiefs Meet

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Interest was aroused here by the visit of the Latvian Chief of Staff, General Berkis, to the Esthonian Chief of Staff, General Laidoner.

A Tallinn correspondent of Stockholm's "Tidningen" states that the visit is a sign of the determination of the Baltic States to defend themselves and their independence.



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The tiffin interval will be after the fourth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $10.00 per day including tax—or $40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies $5.00 and $20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27704) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting. No amahs will be allowed on the Fifth Day.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at $1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

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$60,000 Offer For Stable Refused

It was learned yesterday that an offer of over half a lakh of dollars had been made by a wealthy Chinese for the entire stable, including entries for the 1940 Annual Race Meeting, of one of Hongkong's best known owners and one whose colours had been carried to victory on three occasions in the Hongkong Derby.

Mr. L. Dunbar, to whom the offer was made, admitted that a wealthy Chinese had offered him $60,000 for his entire stable, to be delivered before the Annual Race Meeting, but due to the fact that entries had already been made under his colours, he was forced to decline the offer.

Mr. Dunbar said he was never anxious to sell his stable.

Among Mr. Dunbar's New Griffins are Mount Hope Bay and Dupont Bay, two very promising candidates for the Hongkong Derby.

EASTERN TROUNCE SAIGON

Tempers Fray During Moments Of Excitement

VISITORS UNABLE TO HOLD VIRILE ATTACK

(By "Rex")

EASTERN GAINED a decisive victory over Saigon at Caroline Hill yesterday, beating them by five goals to one, in a very fast, exciting encounter, in which Eastern matched Saigon in speed, and ball control, but surpassed them in scoring ability.

It was most decidedly the best match of the series, and there was no question, as there was in the first two encounters, of the better team losing.

There were incidents galore which met with the disapproval of the crowd. One in particular was when Pacini, Saigon centre-half and Captain, struck Cheung Kam-hoi, Eastern inside-right, for a foul by the latter in the Saigon area, and the crowd became ominious.

Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern inside-right) scoring with his head against Saigon yesterday. Ngay, Saigon goalie, making an abortive but gallant effort to save, while Long, Saigon left back, looks on anxiously.—Mee Cheung.

Saigon fielded four reserves and made a change in their forward line-up. Ngay took over the custody of the goal, Tai was injured in the last match. Long came in at left-back for Cui, who had pulled a muscle in the match against Hongkong. Nga relieved Bach at left-half, Tien occupied Dai's place at inside-right, and Quyen filled the inside-left position.

Eastern had one change from their original line-up, Cheng Ying-kuen substituted for Kong Seng-keng, their star right back, who did not put in an appearance.

SAIGON PEN-SKETCHES

NGAY played an unobtrusive game in goal. He lacked the dash and recklessness of Tai and preferred to remain in his goal area and wait for the ball rather than intercept. On two occasions, had he the initiative to rush forward, he would have prevented goals scored against him.

Corea played his usual fine game, but he closed his eyes to the fact that he had an exceptionally fast winger to contend with, while he did not have the required support from Long and Pacini who both found a handful in the Eastern right flank.

Pacini concentrated his entire attention to watching Tsui and played an exceptionally good stopper game. He was, however, very often torn between aiding his left flank at the same time fulfilling his duty. Buu gave another wonderful display at right-half. He was the most consistent of the team, parrying and lunging at every precipitate movement of Eastern's defence. Nga was the weak link in Saigon's Maginot line and Eastern's right flank pierced Saigon's left half of the field almost at will.

ATTACK LACKED INITIATIVE

SAIGON'S forward line was again guilty of bad shooting. They played a more open game, their passings had the same degree of accuracy, but their efforts at goal were lamentable. Tot was not as good as previously: Tien played his best, and was very unfortunate to have several of his drives blocked by Eastern defenders. He combined excellently with Guichard on the right-wing who also played his best game. Guichard always got the better of Lo, at left-half, but his perfect centres often went begging. He caused Lau no end of worry with his hard drives. He switched for some time with Tien, but, finding the change ineffective went back to his original position. Quyen was a trier all through, but was, as with Hon, starved of the ball. Had more advantage been taken of his deceptive positioning in the Eastern goal area, Saigon might have scored a few more goals. Hon was exceedingly fast, but was starved.

EASTERN PEN-SKETCHES

LAU HIN-HON played an unusual cool game in goal for Eastern. He placed great reliance on his back pair and was not let down. His knowledge of Saigon's forward failing may have contributed to the fine performance he gave.

Tsang Chung-wan was a tower of strength at left back and covered well, lending valuable support to Lo at left-half. Cheng Ying-kuen played a sound game to partner well with Tsang.

Hsu King-seng again came in for special mention. He easily overshadowed his own and the opposition's players to turn out a sparkling performance. He gave no rope to the Saigon attack and provided plenty of scope for his forwards, instigating most of the moves that reaped goals for Eastern. Lau Tse-chan had a small measure of success. His speed stood him in good stead and enabled him to harass and spoil. His distribution was below par as was Lo Wai-kuen's who was, incidentally, the weakest of the half-back line. Lo failed to keep in check Saigon right flank. He did some spoiling work but nothing that was worth mentioning.

ATTACK ATTAIN PEAK

EASTERN forward line were at the peak of their form. Tsui Ah-fai was too well marked to be of much use. Cheung Kam-hoi, who has taken vast strides in his advancement for contending for premier honours in his department, forced himself on everyone's notice. Despite scoring four out of five goals for Eastern he gave a magnificent performance at inside-right. He partnered excellently with Chung Yung-sum to form the more dangerous flank. Hau Ching-to gave another of his remarkable exhibitions at left-wing. His marvellous versatility to centre and score goals, as he pleased, was seen to good effect. He did not require the support of Wu Gay-tsang, and pierced Saigon's defence in a series of tricky and fast runs. He often baffled Corea. Wu picked up in the latter stages of the game and did some fine work. He lacked tactics, but stolidly plied Tsui with passes even knowing the latter was being well marked.

BALL BY BALL ACCOUNT

EASTERN attacked from the outset, but was checked by Saigon's halves. Saigon attacked but the ball was soon back in Saigon's area; Tsui tapped the ball a sight too hard, Hau running in too late for Ngay to collect. Hsu dispossessed Buu and broke through to send in a hard drive that skimmed the up-right.

The ball swung from one end to the other with great rapidity, Eastern's finish was the better. Nga and Buu managed to press the Eastern in their own half for some time. Cheung received from Lau and ran through attended by Buu, who then miskicked for Cheung to drive, the ball sailing over the bar with inches to spare.

Saigon now pressed in attack and Tien came near with a nice drive which Lau did well to save. Tien changed with Guichard, but the change not proving effective, they rechanged. Buu lobbed the ball to Tot who, facing the Eastern goal, spun round and shot but Lau showed marvellous anticipation to clear well.

HAU'S ACHIEVEMENT

EASTERN returned to the attack through Chung who passed to Cheung for the latter to lob over Corea, Hau dashed in too late. Chung tricked Long and shot weakly across the goalmouth for Hau to dash into the goal missing the ball by inches.

Pacini was forced to concede a corner when hard pressed by Cheung. Cheung to Chung and the latter centred for Hau to dash in this time successfully finding the net with a nice hook shot.

Cheung centred in again and Hau, after tricking two defenders shot over the bar. Seconds later, Cheung netted Eastern's second goal from just outside the Saigon penalty area, catching Ngay completely by surprise, Ngay having his eye on Hau who was dancing around the area.

The second half found Eastern almost complete masters of the situation both in defence and attack. Cheung sent in a pile driver which Ngay saved nicely. Cheung again tested Ngay and in the scramble Chung was hurt and left the field. Hau eluded Corea to centre to Cheung who dashed in to head past Ngay. Chung returned soon after.

Guichard tried from within the penalty area, but Lau covered the shot well. Hsu sent in a nice centre to Tsui, but Ngay beat Tsui to the ball and cleared.

Eastern again attacked and while Pacini was in the act of clearing Cheung went full tilt at him. Pacini remonstrated with Cheung then struck him, the referee separated them and the game resumed its normal course.

Tot drove an angle shot which Lau just managed to punch out, the ball passing behind Guichard who had rushed in. Tsang saved an almost certain goal when he kicked clear from almost the goal line with Lau badly positioned. Ngay partially cleared a shot from Tsang and, before he had time to recover Wu lobbed the ball in the goalmouth.

SAIGON'S SOLE GOAL

SAIGON broke away through Guichard who made a fine solo effort down the right wing to centre, Hon rushed in and put the ball past Lau with an unstoppable drive from five yards.

Saigon seemed to tire and Eastern forced them on the defensive. Cheung passed to Wu who slipped the ball to Hau. Hau after tricking Corea sent in a powerful drive which went just out. Tsang sent a long pass to Hau who broke through on his own his parting drive striking the cross bar and bounding into play for Cheung to meet it on the rebound and drive past Ngay. Hau received from Hsu to trick Corea into a false position. He flipped the ball past him and sped down the wing. He passed back to Hsu who lobbed the ball into the Saigon goalmouth for Cheung to dash in and head past Ngay.

Saigon:—Ngay; Corea, Long; Buu, Pacini, Nga; Guichard, Tien, Tot, Quyen and Hon.

Eastern:—Lau Hin-hon; Cheng Ying-kuen, Tsang Chung-wan; Lau Tse-chan, Hsu King-seng, Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Cheung Kam-hoi, Tsui Ah-fai, Wu Gay-tsang and Hau Ching-to.

Cricket Notes To-morrow

"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments will appear in to-morrow's issue.

SOCCER DIRECTORS SUSPENDED

Crystal Pal. Subject Of F.A. Inquiry

LONDON. — THREE DIRECTORS on the present board of Crystal Palace F.C. and two former directors have been suspended by a joint commission of the Football Association and the Football League, which held an inquiry on December 11 in London.

Mr. E. T. Truett, the present chairman, and Mr R. Cornell, another member of the current board, have each been suspended for 12 months, and Mr. R. H. E. Blaxill has been suspended until the end of the season.

The son of the chairman, Mr. C. E. Truett, who retired some time ago from the board, and Mr. R. S. Moyes, a former director and a former manager, have each been suspended for 12 months.

PLAYERS FINED

Two former players registered with Palace F.C., J. Palethorpe and V. Blore, have each been fined £10 for receiving payments in excess of those permitted by the Football League.

The Commission considered communications dated Aug. 22 and Nov. 20, 1939, received from Mr. R. S. Moyes, alleging that various sums amounting to £50, entered in the club books as travelling and hotel expenses of directors, vouchers for which were signed by directors Messrs. E. T. Truett, C. E. Truett and R. Cornell were not in fact used for travelling expenses as stated on the vouchers but for illegal payments to players Palethorpe (£20) and Blore (£30) upon their transfer to the club from Aston Villa and West Ham United respectively.

The report says: "It was admitted by Messrs. E. T. Truett, C. E. Truett and R. Cornell that they had signed vouchers for expenses which had not been incurred by them, and that the amount represented by the vouchers had been promised by the manager, Mr. R. S. Moyes, to the players Palethorpe and Blore, and had been paid to them in violation of the regulations of the Football League."

New Swimming Record For Hveger

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 12 (UP).—Ranghild Hveger to-day broke the 500-metres swimming record, covering the distance in six minutes 27.4 seconds, clipping a second off the previous world's record set by the Belgian, Fernand Caroens.

Results Of Golf Competitions At Fanling

The following were the results of Chinese New Year golf competitions held at Fanling:

The Bogey Par Pool over the Old Course was won by G. C. Worrall (8) who was two up. J. Linaker (17) and W. Hewitt (13) were both one up and divide the second prize. Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson (9) was one up and won the medal competition on the same card. There were 63 entries.

Medal Round

There were 17 entries for the Medal Round over the Old Course which was won by Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson, who returned a score of 77-9=68.

Bogey Pool

J. Linaker (17) won the Bogey Par Pool over the New Course from an entry of 17, being all square.

The Mixed Bogey Par over the New Course was cancelled owing to insufficient entries.

Stubbs Shield

THE SEMI-FINALS of the Stubbs Shield competition were held at Fanling recently and resulted in a win for A.P.C. (G. M. Park and R. Young) over Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps (Col. Rose and Lt. Col. E. J. R. Mitchell) at the 20th, and for R.A.M.C. (Major Harvey and Major Bowie) over Harbour Office (Cmdr. Hole and R. K. Collings) six and five.

Referee Criticised In Shanghai Newspaper

SHANGHAI, Feb. 12 (UP).—A soccer spectator calling himself "Give and Take" criticises Shanghai's referee and linesmen in the interport game in a letter to the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury. He says:

"Well done Hongkong! With 11 men you managed to keep the score down to 2-0 against a team which played with 13 men—11 players, a linesman and referee.

"The linesman on the north line must have thought it was Mafeking Night or the Armistice by the manner in which he waved his flags.

"Shanghai's first goal was at least three yards offside as Roboostoff was lying that distance behind both the Hongkong backs when the ball was last played. I was right in line with the position from which he shot.

"Next, the penalty. Tsao will be the first to admit that when he shot the ball never touched any part of the Hongkong player's hand, wrist, elbow, muscles or shoulder; it hit him just under the armpit and glided off, and as his back was facing—to use an Irishism—the north stand, how in the name of Old Harry could the referee see?"

The writer says the referee was unnecessarily severe towards the Hongkong players in pulling them up nine times for allegedly unfair tackling when the tackling was actually fair. He concludes.—"No wonder the Hongkong players shook their heads at most of the decisions. So again well done Hongkong!"

Civil Service C.C. Tennis Tournament

A MIXED DOUBLES tennis tournament will be held at the Civil Service Cricket Club on Sunday, February 18, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

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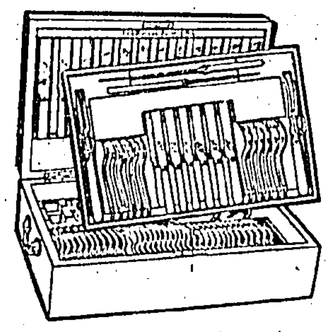
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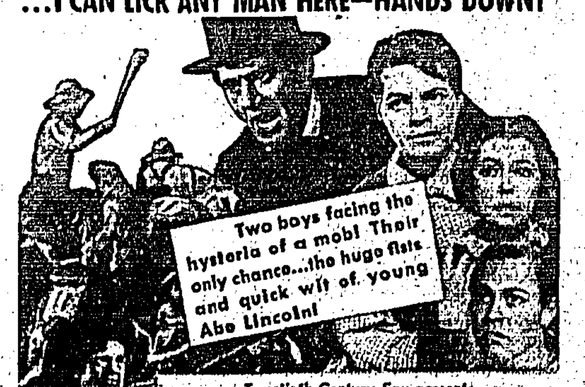

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Jealousy Among Quins

There is trouble in the Dionne household at Callander, Ontario. Two of the Quins are jealous of their other three sisters, and all because Cecilie, Marie and Emilie have lost some of their first teeth.

Yvonne and Annette, say United Press, are envious of their sisters' achievement. In fact, they have tried every means within their power to extract some of their own teeth, so far without result.

Doctor Dafoe states that the teeth of the Quins will be mounted and kept as a contribution to medical history.

Cecilie

Annette

Marie

Yvonne

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WINNING WAR WILL BE NO EASY TASK, BRITISH PEOPLE WARNED

Complacency Is Our Greatest Danger

By PETER LYNE

LONDON.—Complacency appears to be deemed Britain's greatest danger at the present stage of the war, judging from the extent to which stress on the seriousness of the task of defeating Germany is suddenly being redoubled here.

The development can hardly be dissociated from the secret session of Parliament when war supplies were discussed and the Government faced a barrage of questions on the effectiveness of the war effort.

The vehemence with which radio listeners are urged to face the fact, "we are fighting for our lives and for our freedom" struck an unusually highpitched note compared with the normal calm tone of British radiocasts.

Maj. Gen. Sir Ernest Swinton in his weekly review of the war situation was the BBC spokesman, but a similar warning line has been taken by Mr. Anthony Eden and Sir Arthur Salter in speech since Parliament's secret sessions and by newspaper writers, notably Mr. Vernon Bartlett, M.P., and Mr. G. Ward Price, expert on Germany.

Must Sheer Red Tape

"If we are to beat Germany," Sir Ernest said, "we have got to take things move seriously than we are doing. We have got to put our house in order. We have got to prevent overlapping in our effort and the waste of money. We have to sheer through red tape and get a move on. May we do it before it is too late. The red light is at danger and I repeat with all the seriousness of which I am capable the words I spoke 15 minutes ago, 'We are fighting for our lives and for our freedom.' I add, once we realize that, we are bound to win."

The appeal for no belittling of the war task and no underrating of the Nazi war machine was made by Mr. Eden at a literary lunch organized by Foyle's Book Shop, presided over by Viscount Halifax and attended by many prominent persons among the 1,200 guests.

Taking as his text "Towards a Lasting Peace," Mr. Eden based hopes on three objectives: First, nothing should distract the British from winning the war; second, Anglo-French co-operation should be still further extended during the war and should be fully maintained afterward; third, co-operation between members of the British Commonwealth should be brought closer and closer.

At the same lunch Sir Arthur stressed the necessity of Britain making a much greater economic effort which, he said, would prove the deciding factor in the war, and R. C. K. Ensor, Oxford historian, impressed on the audience the dangers of facing such an enemy as Hitler.

Danger In Complacency

Mr. Bartlett, in the first article since he emerged from behind the bolted doors which kept strangers away from the Commons secret sessions says in the News Chronicle, "It isn't true that we can win the war by sitting still, waiting for a fissure to turn into a breach and for the whole Nazi edifice to crumble into ruins. The greatest danger to victory to-day is our own complacency about it."

Further support for the view that the British people are taking the war too complacently comes from Mr. Price, who, writing in the Daily Mail contends that too much money and energy are being wasted in the crowded theatres, restaurants, and night clubs of London and the chief provincial cities. Further he alleges wasteful bureaucratic methods, and slack enforcement of such measures as gasolene restriction, under which big cars carrying one person are seen heading to the city daily.

On the other hand authorities are faced with a serious problem keeping up the morale threatened by the blackout and other restrictions, by the boredom and irritation engendered by the immense amount at present of seemingly useless work of manning innumerable antiaircraft guns, air raid posts, and firefighting appliances Therefore any attempts to enforce the new restrictions are met with determined protests. Complacency may now be held to be Britain's biggest bogey, but boredom can't be far behind in this war which Americans have aptly called "cockeyed."

The inactivity which now marks warfare on the western front elicited even the comment of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, who, on his visit to the Maginot Line, declared, "It is a matter of taste, but personally I prefer to be bored rather than bombed."

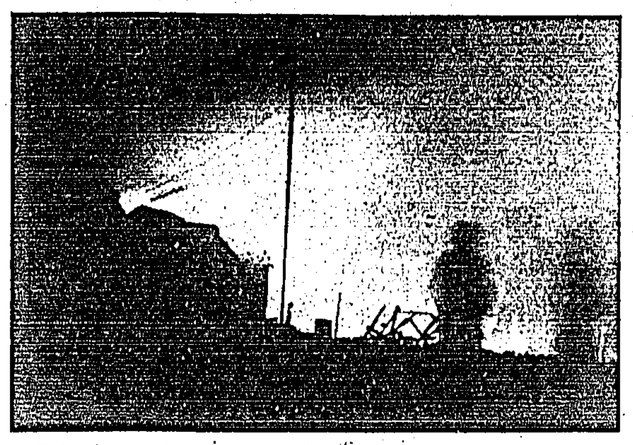
AMERICAN CRITICS

New York, Feb. 12.

"President Roosevelt's sudden week-end peace offensive has now rather hastily toned down," writes the *New York Herald-Tribune*, which adds, "The best thing that can be hoped for gestures of this kind is that they will prove harmless."

Miss Dorothy Thompson, writing in the same newspaper, says the explanation of the President's move is to be found chiefly in the United States in the presidential campaign and only secondarily in Europe.—*Reuter.*

SHADOW OF MAN ON FIRE SHOWN



This curious phenomenon was photographed by a reader of the "Telegraph" at last week's big fire in the Shamshuipo area. The shadow of the onlooker is plainly visible on the smoke of the fire.

'Human Escalator' Helps To Save R.A.F. Raid Hero

PILOTS and aircraftmen at a lonely R.A.F. station in Britain played a vital part in saving the life of an airman who was wounded in the Heligoland battle.

The flyer was gunner of the British bomber which shot down five Messerschmitt fighters.

When the bomber returned, the men at the R.A.F. station made a "human escalator" of their backs so that he could be removed as gently as possible from the machine.

He weighed 14 stone, and they had no easy task.

"Doing Well"

Although the bullet which passed through his thigh had missed both bone and artery, he had lost a great deal of blood on the long and cold flight home.

But now, in hospital, he is "doing very well."

Because of fears for his gunner's safety, the bomber pilot decided to land at the nearest home aerodrome —a lonely station near the East Coast.

It was just before dark when the machine appeared over the station.

As it put down, cheered by the waiting pilots, a tyre bursts, and it swung round in a circle.

Tattered Wings

It had been badly damaged during the raid. Both wings were in tatters, and the fuselage was riddled with bullet holes.

One wing was burned.

Despite all this, however, the plane flew as well as ever."

During the battle an armour-piercing bullet tore the sole from the boot of another member of the crew.

He escaped with a graze and a slight burn.

Mother Tells How She Fainted And Then— FOUND BABY DEAD IN BATH

SOUTHAMPTON.—While bathing her nine-month-old baby, Mrs. Newbury, of Foundrylane, Southampton, fainted.

When she recovered, some minutes later, the child was dead.

This was the tragic story told at the inquest on the child at Southampton.

Mrs. Newbury's husband, a ship's baker, is at sea.

This is the sory she told:—

"I was rinsing baby when suddenly I had a dizzy feeling.

"I remember nothing more until I found myself lying partly on the floor and partly on the bath.

"I went to lift baby out of the bath when everything went hazy. I think I fainted again.

"When I came round baby was under the water."

The coroner said no blame attached to the mother.

R.A.F. Girl Pilots

WOMEN are to pilot R.A.F. planes. They will ferry new light training craft from factory to aerodrome. Only eight will be enrolled to start. Here is a photograph of Miss Pauline Gower, daughter of Sir Robert Gower, M.P., who is taking charge of this new section of the Air Transport Auxiliary Service.

Amphibian Super-Plane Can Fly Anywhere

LARGEST amphibian plane in the world, the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation's model 28-5A, has just been built and passed its tests in the United States.

This plane can use land or water equally well as a basis for taking off and landing.

It need never have a beaching crew because it can climb a ramp or beach under its own power. It can go down to the sea from a beach in the same way, completely controlled by its own brakes.

Perhaps the most interesting use of the landing gear is in a rough sea, when it can be extended as a sea anchor. This greatly helps control. Turns on the water are achieved with far less skidding.

This plane is regarded as a great step forward in aeroplane manufacture, and as making the field of operation virtually "from anywhere to anywhere on the face of the globe."

Hitler An Evil Spirit— The Dean

The Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. W. R. Matthews, said recently that he was "inclined to think" that Hitler is an evil spirit in contact with a malignant power which reinforces his natural gifts and drives him to destroy.

The Dean did not use those words, for he was addressing the Society for Psychical Research in London on "Psychical Research and Religion." But he was no less emphatic.

The Word "Demonic"

There were, he said, mystical states which were morally and spiritually evil. He went on:

"There are persons who have what we can only call 'spiritual power,' who are apparently in contact with some source of energy which reinforces their natural endowments, and gives them a unification of purpose which makes them most formidable.

"But these persons are often evil and their mystical experience is a heightening of their will and their capacity for destruction.

"In other words, I believe in the word 'demonic.'"

The Dean raised his eyes from his manuscript for a moment, and gave his hearers a keen glance over the top of his spectacles as he added in deliberate tones:

"We should not have to look very far for an example of a mystic of this type, or for the evidence of his power for evil."

There was a chorus of "hear, hear!"

Faith In Survival

Dr. Matthews went on to discuss the question of the survival of the actual personality of a human being after death. He said he was in sympathy with the theory.

Christian thinkers of many schools would say that the continuance just as it was of human personality was not necessarily good news: It might very well be bad news.

"The records of psychical research are full of deceit, fraud, and illusion," said the Dean. "But when one has discounted all this there remains a residuum of established facts which, prima facie, suggests the hypothesis of survival."

Official List of Sub. Victims

The Secretary of the Admiralty regrets to announce that the following officers and ratings who formed the ships' companies of H.M. Submarines Seahorse, Undine, and Starfish are missing.

The German wireless has announced that part of the crews of the Undine and Starfish have been rescued, but their names are not yet available.

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Obituary

Noted Army Figure

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Major-General Sir John Moore, the famous Army Veterinary Surgeon.

Born in 1864, Sir John served at Dongola in 1896, winning a medal as well as the Khedive's Medal. He also served in the South African War, 1899-1900, when he was mentioned in despatches and won the Queen's medal (three clasps). He was promoted Veterinary Major.

Becoming a Lieutenant-Colonel in 1906 and Colonel in 1913, he served throughout the European War in France and Flanders as Director of Veterinary Services of the B.E.F. He was again mentioned in despatches and, as a result of his services, was created C.B. and K.C.M.G. in 1919, having been promoted Major-General in 1918 and made an Officer of the Legion of Honour.

After the war, he became Director of the Veterinary Services in India, holding the post from 1919 to 1921. He was Col. Commdt. of the R.A.V.C. from 1932 to 1934.

In 1903, he married Adelaide Mary, daughter of the late Benjamin Murphy, of Prior Park, Clonmel. They have three daughters.

No Third Term For Roosevelt?

Ambassador To London May Seek Nomination

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—In a front page article in the "World-Telegram," Mr. J. Farley, the Postmaster General, is represented as believing that President Roosevelt does not intend to re-run for the Presidency.

A Staff Writer, George Morris, reports that Mr. Farley informed President Roosevelt that he strongly opposed a third term and received a reply from the President which was regarded as an "assurance that he would not be a candidate."

Kennedy For President?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BOSTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—The "Boston Post" Joseph Kennedy, United States Ambassador to London, "may enter the contest" for democratic presidential nomination.

The paper said his friends have brought "powerful pressure" to bear in an effort to persuade him to become a candidate.

Roosevelt Assailed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (UP).—In a hundred Lincoln Day speeches in various parts of the country to-day the Republican Party assailed President Roosevelt and the New Deal.

Thomas E. Dewey, Manhattan's District Attorney and himself a Republican presidential nominee, in a speech at the Civil Auditorium at Portland, Oregon, told a packed audience that under the New Deal the American productive plant and equipment has been "running down at heel," at the rate of a thousand million dollars a year.

Quoting Abraham Lincoln, Mr. Dewey said: "The House is divided against itself and cannot stand."

In his speech at Omaha, Nebraska, former Republican President Herbert Hoover asserted that unemployment was the outstanding problem in the United States.

Rejecting the theory that unemployment was a chronic disease Mr. Hoover said that the solution of the problem lay simply in the transformation of Government spending to national thrift, which would turn away class conflict and disunity and, in addition, assure the United States being kept out of wars.

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DECISIONS APPROVED

New Central Regime Leaders Meet

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Representatives of the Kuomintang, various non-Kuomintang political leaders and non-party National leaders met here to-day and unanimously approved the decisions reached in the Tsingtao Conference in connection with the establishment of a new central regime, according to the "China News Agency."

The way is now clear, it is added, for the convocation of a central political conference in order to put the finishing touches to the arrangements in the formation of the new government.

Among those expected to be invited to attend this conference are the leaders of both the Provisional and Reformed governments, certain members of the Central Executive and Supervisory Committees of the Kuomintang, and members of other political parties.

Nazis Justify Ruthlessness

Britain's Control Of Seas Blamed

LONDON, Feb. 12 (British Wireless).—Indications are growing that the need is being increasingly felt in Germany to justify to the German people the indiscriminate sinking of neutral shipping, of which 342,357 tons have now fallen victim to enemy mines and submarines.

While Dr. Goebbels' organisation claims that Germany is master of the whole of the North Sea, the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" yesterday sought to justify Nazi methods of warfare against neutral ships by a frank confession that it is Britain's control of the seas that justifies defiance of all the accepted tenets of international law.

The newspaper says: "As this means of modern war enables a state to be master of her territorial waters in nearly the same sense as she can be master of her land territories, it is impossible for Germany to accomplish a blockade or trade war near to the England coast in accordance with prize law."

Neutral shipping is compared by the newspaper to a bus running between the Maginot and Siegfried Lines. Finding that "this thought introduces quite a new conception of international law," it pleads for the evolution of a new code to replace all existing international laws, and designed, it would appear, to give legal authority to ruthlessness.

Purchasers Cease Work

ROME, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The activities of various foreign purchasing committees in Italy, including the British, have been suspended and may not be resumed for some months, it is learned in a reliable quarter.

These committees have been in almost constant session since the outbreak of war. The staffs of the commercial sections of the Embassies of the countries concerned have been doubled, and even trebled, in connection with his work.

The question has been asked whether the visit of Dr. Clodius, the German economic expert, is connected in any way with the suspension. Dr. Clodius expects to remain in Rome for another week.

Wool To Pay Nation's Debt

£50,000,000 Gain From Sheep's Back

LONDON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Australia intends to use proceeds from her wool clip to meet a heavy sterling debt payment in London during the next few years, according to reports reaching London to-day.

During the next eight years Australia must redeem or convert about £50,000,000 sterling in debts, including £18,500,000 falling due before the end of 1943. She has sold her wool clip to the United Kingdom—apart from the small proportion needed by Australian mills—which means she will receive £50,000,000 sterling in proceeds this year, compared with last season's £39,000,000 sterling.

Most of this sum must be repatriated to pay growers for their wool, but the Commonwealth government plans to leave in London the difference between receipts for the old clip and receipts for the new. If present plans to sell merino wool at high prices succeeds then the Commonwealth's sterling surplus will considerably exceed £11,000,000.

FURTHER PROOF OF STRENGTH

WELLINGTON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Announcing the arrival of the Anzacs in Egypt, the Hon. Mr. Peter Fraser, Minister of Marine, said that the Royal Navy has again demonstrated its protective strength in the safe conveyance of troops from Empire out-posts. The troops were escorted by British, Australian and New Zealand warships.

Details Of Trade Pact

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A White Paper on the Anglo-Turkish Trade Agreement made in London on February 8 was issued to-day.

The agreement comes into force on February 19, will remain in force in the first place until March 3, 1941, and will continue to remain in force subsequently for successive periods of one year unless terminated by either government at three months' notice.

The agreement provides that all United Kingdom exports to Turkey and all Turkish exports to the United Kingdom will be subject to compensation transactions.

The value of goods exported in compensation to Turkey shall not exceed 80 per cent. of the value of goods exported in compensation from Turkey.

Latvia's Decision

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The decision of the Latvian Government to send a trade mission to London shortly is welcomed by the British authorities who have been desirous of adding the three Baltic states to the list of neutral nations with whom Britain is conducting special conversations to enlarge war-time trade.

Latvia now becomes the first of these countries to send a trade mission to London.

Having regard to the difficult position in which these countries find themselves as between Germany and Russia, the Latvian Government's decision is regarded as most encouraging.

U.S. Embargo Possibilities

U.S. Senate Committee Said Wavering

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—A survey shows that the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee is increasingly against an embargo on Japan. Informed quarters predict that the question will be postponed or tabled after an extensive committee debate.

Consideration of several bills will begin on Wednesday after the Senate has voted on the Finnish Loan Bill and that to permit the $20,000,000 loan to China.

Twenty-three are on the committee, of which 12, including Senator Connally, are against an embargo, although some would switch quickly if Japan unnecessarily affronted them. Seven from the remainder, including Senator Pittman, are in favour of reprisals, while four, including Senator Vandenberg, are undecided on the question.

Senator Sherman Minton says that the proposal will be enacted on a safe margin, while Senator Van Nuys, who is opposed to the measure, conceded its passage but predicted 30 votes against Senator Elbert Thomas who had stated, "I am opposed to picking out a single nation in applying an embargo, which would drive Japan into the arms of Russia and leave Russia free to do whatever she wants in Europe."

Even opponents of the measure believe that the President does not need it since he has sufficient powers through tariff control to impose penalties if it seems desirable.

Letter To Roosevelt

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A letter to President Roosevelt signed by 50 educators, clergymen and public officials, including the President's mother, urging the President to remove Japan from the most favoured nation status has been made public.

The letter urges the cessation of American participation in Japan's aggression and the application of penalties provided in the Tariff Act 1930 against Japan's exports.

The application of such penalties would make Japan feel the moral condemnation of the American people in her illegal acts which do not justify the invasion of China.

"Barbarous Countries"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP).—Senator George W. Norris, at an interview, called for moral embargoes against Japan and Russia which he termed as barbarous countries. He said it would be perfectly justifiable to stop buying their goods or selling them any American goods as done by individual citizens or groups. Nobody could claim that it would constitute an unfriendly act because no act of the Government would be involved.

The Senator further said he would oppose legislation authorising the President to impose embargoes, on the ground that it might tend to draw the United States towards war, but he said there can be no complaint against moral embargoes.

MISS HO TUNG VICTIMISED

Miss Ho Tung, daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung, was the victim of a particularly daring theft last night, as a result of which, in addition to losing an overcoat and a jersey, valued at $50, a window of her Hillman car was smashed.

Miss Ho Tung parked the car near the Alhambra Theatre, Kowloon, shortly before the 5.10 p.m. programme commenced.

During her absence an unknown person smashed a brick through the window and extracted the overcoat and jersey.

An illustrated lecture on "Western Australia" will be given by Prof. W. Brown to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. in Room K of the Hongkong University. All interested are welcome.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Henry Jacques and His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Les Allen (Vocal).—She Came From Alsace Lorraine, Don't Save Your Smiles, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain; Afraid to Dream, The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot, Les Allen (Vocal) with Piano; If The Old River Thames Were The Danube, Whoops We Go Again, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain; I'll Stand By, Les Allen and His Canadian Bachelors with Novelty Accompaniment; Dear Little Boy of Mine, Les Allen (Vocal) with Sidney Torch at the Organ; Wooden Shoes, Primo Scala's Accordeon Band with Vocal Refrain.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Mozart—Concerto in C Minor.—Edwin Fischer (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Lawrance Collingwood.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Compositions of Ravel.—Trois beaux oiseaux de Paradis, The Lyons Mixed Chorus conducted by Leon Vlettl; Daphnis and Chloe—Symphonique Suite, Walther Straram Orchestra conducted by Philippe Gaubert; Piece En Forme D'Habanera, Joseph Szigeti (Violin) with Nikita de Magaloff at the Piano; Jeux D'Eau, Alfred Cortot (Piano).

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance."—What Shall I Do?, Derek Oldham; Climbing Over Rocky Mountain, Nellie Briercliffe, Nellie Walker and Chorus of Girls; Stop, Ladies, Pray, Nellie Briercliffe, Nellie Walker, Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls; Oh! Is There Not One Maiden Breast, Derek Oldham, Elsie Griffin and Chorus of Girls; Oh, Men of Dark and Dismal Fate, George Baker and Full Chorus; You May Go, for You're at Liberty, Full Company; Now For The Pirates' Lair and When You Had Left Our Pirate Fold, Derek Oldham, Peter Dawson and Dorothy Gill; Away, Away! My Heart's On Fire, Dorothy Gill, Derek Oldham and Peter Dawson; All Is Prepared! and Stay, Fred'ric, Stay! Elsie Griffin and Derek Oldham.

7.00 A Light Spanish Programme.—Seven Popular Spanish Songs, Conchita Supervia (Mezzo Soprano) with Piano Accomp. by Frank Marshall; Puerta De Tierra—Bolero, Aragon—Fantasia, Orquesta Sevilla; Torna Piccina, Tito Schipa (Tenor) with Orchestra; Cordoba, Evocacion, Arthur Rubinstein (Piano); El Adios—Tango, Paciencia—Tango, Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro with Vocal Refrain.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Saint-Saens—Concerto in G Minor, Op. 22.—Arthur De Greef (Piano) and New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

8.28 Compositions of Sibelius.—Berceuse, Musette from King Christian Suite, Royal Opera House Orchestra; Stockholm; Humoresque, Henri Temianka (Violin) and the Temianka Chamber Orchestra; Finlandia—Tone Poem, Op. 26, No. 7, Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra; Flickan Kom Ifran Sin Alskligns Mote, Sav, Sav, Susa, Op. 36, No. 4, Marian Anderson (Contralto) with Piano; Karelia Suite—Alla Marcia, Symphony Orchestra cond. by Robert Kajanus.

9.00 Vaughan Williams—Serenade to Music.—Sir Henry Wood conducting the B.B.C. Orchestra, Soloists.—I. Baillie, S. Allen, E. Suddaby, E. Turner, M. Balfour, A. Desmond, M. Brunskill, M. Jarred, H. Nash, W. Widdop, P. Jones, F. Titterton, R. Henderson, R. Easton, H. Williams, and N. Allin.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 Reginald Foort at the Organ.—By The Blue Hawaiian Waters—Selection, The Vision of Fuji-San—Selection, A Day's Hunting, At The Hunt Ball.

10.00 Variety with Renate Muller, "Fats" Waller, Tessie O'Shea, "Hutch" and the New Mayfair Orchestra.—Just Because I Lost My Heart To You, To-day I Feel So Happy, Renate Muller (Soprano) with Two Pianos and Violin; Organ—Deep River, Go Down Moses, "Fats" Waller; Two Ton Tessie, Oh! Freddie, Tessie O'Shea; "Evergreen"—Selection, New Mayfair Orchestra; The Moon Remembered But You Forgot "Hutch" (Leslie Hutchinson); "Twenty Million Sweethearts" Selection, New Mayfair Orchestra.

10.30 Dance Music.

11.00 London Relay—"In England Now."—Talks by a Naval Rating from H.M.S. Ajax and Mr. E. G. Johnson, a Jeweller in Wartime.

11.15 Close Down.

LOCAL PROGRAMMES

Over 440 Hours of Transmission During Last Month

Actual hours of transmission by the Hongkong Broadcasting Studio during January totalled 440¼, of which 223¼ were devoted to European programmes (ZBW)—67¼ in the morning and 156 in the evening—and 217 to Chinese programmes (ZEK)—62 in the morning and 155 in the evening.

Apart from recorded programmes, the following items were broadcast over ZBW: Studio "Bee" 1; studio concerts 15; studio talks 13; local relays (including Church services) 6; Daventry relays (including news) 98; Sunday evening epilogues 4; children's concerts 4, and comments on current events from the studio 10.

ZEK broadcast the following items, besides recorded programmes: studio concerts 22; studio talks 10, and children's concerts 9.

New licences issued during January were 654, while renewals of licences totalled 3,917.

Germans Are Informed

News Of Welles' Visit Permitted In Berlin

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—News of the proposed journey of Mr. Sumner Welles, the U.S. Under Secretary of State, to Europe was allowed to appear in the German Press for the first time this morning.

In all papers reaching Holland, the news is given in a single paragraph of five lines, well-hidden and without comment.

German propagandists have apparently waited to see how the rest of the world reacts before reacting themselves.

Hitler is now back in the Chancellery from somewhere in Germany. It is reported that he has been examining the situation, but he has apparently experienced difficulty in making up his mind.

British Comment

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt and the impending trip of Mr. Sumner Welles to Rome, Berlin, Paris and London were the subjects of comment in the British Press to-day.

The "Times" says that President Roosevelt must clearly feel the need to obtain a view of the whole situation from one representative rather than from individual ambassadors.

The paper welcomes the visit to London and Paris, and says that everything possible should be done for the mission as the Allies are satisfied that an impartial study is more valuable to their cause than any advocacy.

The "Manchester Guardian" feels that there is no reason for believing that President Roosevelt is angling for mediation, while the "News Chronicle" says that it is highly desirable that neutral countries should be planning and thinking ahead.

If President Roosevelt can marshal the neutral world for a constructive effort even while the guns are roaring, he will be doing vital work for civilisation, the paper concludes.

Contemptible Nazi Attack

Fishing Coble Bombed Off Yorkshire

LONDON, Feb. 12 (British Wireless).—In a recent speech the Prime Minister declared that the Nazi raids on British fishing vessels are not war but murder. The justice of this accusation, says the "Yorkshire Post," is sharply revealed by news to-day of a contemptible attack by German planes on a tiny fishing coble off the Yorkshire coast.

Two fishermen and a boy were out in this boat when two Nazi planes swooped down and tried both to bomb and machine-gun them. All they could do was to crouch and make for shore. Once their boat was blown clean out of the water by the explosion of a bomb.

No Object

Attacks such as these can have no object but sheer frightfulness. Nazi airmen must get the same sadistic pleasure preying upon helpless fishermen as their Gestapo colleagues in torturing Poles, Czechs and Jews.

Such a story brought home by our own Yorkshire fishermen is a crushing reply to the excuses offered by German newspapers that British fishing boats are armed to fight Nazi raiders and that attacks on them are, therefore, honourable and legitimate. What arms had these two men and a schoolboy? A boathook?

Japan Wants A Revision

TOKYO, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is announced that the Japanese Government has requested the Netherlands Government to open conversations with the view to revision of the Treaty of Arbitration, Conciliation and Judicial Settlement.

Japan has taken steps to terminate the agreement on August 11 owing to the "necessity of making technical adjustments," but earnestly desires a revision and conclusion of the new treaty before the present treaty is invalidated.

It is emphasised that Japan's denunciation of the Treaty has no political move.

YANGTSE OPENING

SHANGHAI, Feb. 12 (UP).—Wang Ching-wei's "China News Agency" reports that the Yangtse River is expected to be re-opened on March 1.

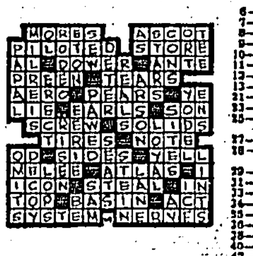
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

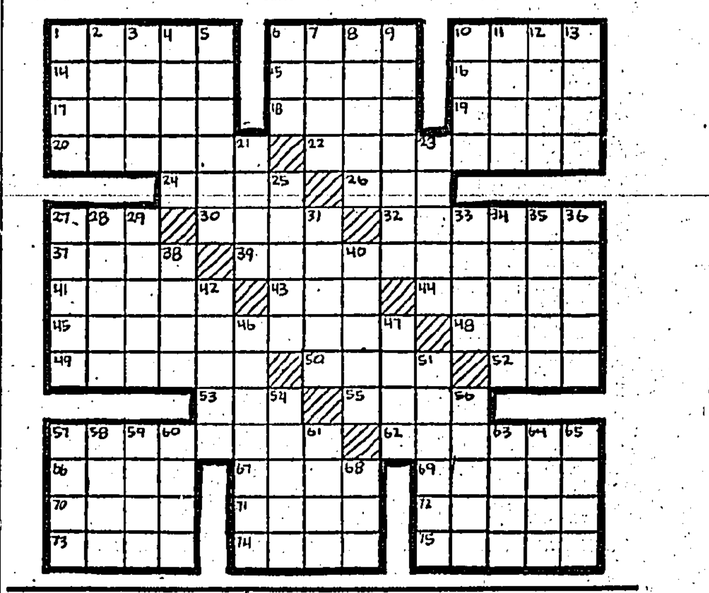
1—Articles in list
6—Crust formed on wound
10—Bet in poker
14—Editor of "Notes and Queries" (died 1878)
15—Secretary of State
16—Fruit covering
17—Ancient Roman magistrate
18—Illustrious Italian family
19—Chronological divisions of history
20—Set firmly in place
22—Welsh ship-building center
24—Without interest
26—Capital of Brazil
27—Diminutive person
30—Frozen water crystals
33—Sacrifice of Hindu wife on funeral pyre of husband
37—To let fall
39—Three vowels combined to produce one sound
41—Second month of spring
43—As done in
44—Oriental guitar
45—Stripped of furniture
48—Satisfy appetite of
49—Property left after death
50—Uttered
52—Allow
53—Devour
55—Require
57—Clipped
62—Guides
63—Ireland
67—Wife of Geraint
68—Apportion
70—Skin on cheese
71—Any
72—Mediterranean power
73—Military head
74—Source of wood
75—Paths

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



DOWN

1—Fifteenth of March
2—Implement for skidding logs
3—Castor silk
4—Fortified British island
5—Contemptuous insinuations
6—This woman
7—Point of crescent
8—Change
9—Disfiguring defect
10—One who imitates
11—Roman emperor
12—East-Indian tree
13—Otherwise
21—Drive in forcibly
23—Boxing matches
25—French dramatist (died 1750)
27—Avoid by trickery
28—Method of calico-printing
29—Foremost in place
31—Determines to do
33—To this degree
34—Summation
35—Growing out
36—Type of heron
38—Capital of Peru
40—Song of exultation
42—More recent
46—In most immediate vicinity
47—Congressman new investigating subversive activities
51—Narrate minutely
54—Manner of progress
56—Greek letter
57—True skin
58—Great Lake
59—Metal containers
60—Terminates
61—Ten cents
63—Impetuous rush
64—Part in play
65—Pertaining to pigeon
66—River in Scotland



Confidence In M. Daladier

PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The French press agrees that the vote of confidence in the Government, passed by the Chamber of Deputies on Saturday, is a complete answer to Nazi efforts to split French unity.

"Le Matin" says that the vote was more than a personal success for M. Daladier. It was also proof that the Chamber of Deputies is worthy by the high level of the debate and patriotic enthusiasm of the final vote.

N.Y.K. To Resume London Service

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 13 (Domei).—The N.Y.K. line announces that it will revive the Far Eastern service to London as from next month.

The Taketoyo Maru and Kashima Maru are to be placed on this run. The former ship is at present engaged on the South American route.

Sweden Shows Deep Concern

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—Deep concern at the heavy toll on Swedish shipping as a result of the Nazi campaign is becoming increasingly evident.

A Swedish news agency reports that 34 ships, one-twentieth of Sweden's total tonnage, have been lost by German action since the beginning of the war.

Swedish shipping leaders are insisting that the Government find some means of halting this rapid destruction of Sweden's merchant fleet.

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By Ernie Bushmiller

Begins To-day—The Greatest Story of the R.A.F.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" to-day is privileged to present serially this dramatised version of Alexander Korda's great film, "The Lion Has Wings." It is the greatest story yet told of the Royal Air Force, and is specially written by Ian Dalrymple, from whose brilliant idea the film was evolved.

FIVE minutes to eleven on the morning of September the third, five minutes more of peace . . .

The sun shone quietly over this pleasant isle of ours. The white clouds cast a pattern of shadows over the green and pleasant land. A haycart moved along a road. Two horses plodded in a field.

Gulls mewed above the downs, and in a hollow behind the cliffs minute figures crawled upon the close cropped turf. The small black things they had come in were motor-cars. There were bathers in the sea.

In the villages and towns where British people lived and worked the autumn sunshine flooded down. It touched the old time faces of barns and buildings into new life and smiled on High-streets and back gardens and car parks and ancient churches and arterial roads with an impartial geniality.

It was good to be a native of Britain and to be alive on that September morning, except for the relentless passing of those five minutes.

Perhaps it was only the imaginative who thought they saw an ominous dulling of the sunshine, as if a shadow crept over the earth.

There was an uncanny silence for one thing. The sky held no aeroplanes, and wherever people congregate, there they congregated in little knots.

Was there an ochreous film over the familiar scenes and the accustomed places as if the forces of destruction warred somewhere overhead but out of sight?

There was that feeling about London. There was a woman who stood in a window looking down upon the street. She felt it strongly, a slowing down of momentum, as if the buses and the traffic and the people moved without intention, as if all the happy racket and business and all the things she knew and used to take for granted would gradually stop.

There was a man with a poster which said: "Time limit for Nazis," but he was not selling papers.

He stood in a little group who seemed uncommunicative, as if they were waiting for something. They were. A taxi stopped, and its driver descended and began to look into the sky.

The woman turned her head and spoke to her companion.

"D'you think . . ." she said.

The other girl looked silently at the clock above the mantelpiece and then at the waiting wireless set.

She rose slowly and walked over to it and stood for a few moments drumming on the lid of it with her fingers. Then with a sudden movement she switched it on.

From the interminable silence the voice of the Prime Minister emerged faintly and swelled into full volume.

"Up to the very last it would have been possible to have arranged a peaceful and honourable settlement . . ."

Their eyes met in the steady stare of knowledge.

"It is evil things that we shall be fighting. Bad faith. Injustice. Oppression and persecution. Against them I am *certain* that Right will prevail." Someone coughed. The National Anthem broke forth . . .

SUDDENLY the door opened and two men broke in and stopped. Both were in Air Force blue, one Wing Commander, the other a Flight Commander.

The girl at the mantelpiece wheeled round, crossed to her husband in surprise, and took him by the arm.

"Are we at war, then?" he asked.

She nodded slowly. "Mr. Chamberlain's just spoken, Bob."

"What was it he said yesterday?" the Wing Commander asked. "To satisfy *one man's* vain, senseless ambition. . . ."

The Flight Commander had crossed to the other girl, and taking her hand in his.

"He did his best to stop it, June."

Merle spoke again. "Ralph—are we ready?"

"You mean, are we prepared?"

She nodded and the little movement spoke to all Britain.

"Never better," he answered grimly.

"Ralph, what are you doing here?"

"New station. I—we've only got a second."

"Oh, Ralph!" She clung to him. He kissed her. Bob took June's hand and led her into the tiny hall. He jerked his hand tactfully to the drawing-room of the little flat.

She smiled. "Good luck," he said.

He swallowed and looked at her in a dumb sort of way.

"All right," she whispered.

He kissed her suddenly, taking her in his arms.

"When you come back," she suggested in a whisper.

"You mean . . . married?"

She nodded.

Ralph Richardson was tugging at his arm.

God bless you, my dear, goodbye."

"Good-bye."

"Good-bye, Ralph. Take care of yourself."

"Good-bye . . . good-bye . . . good-bye."

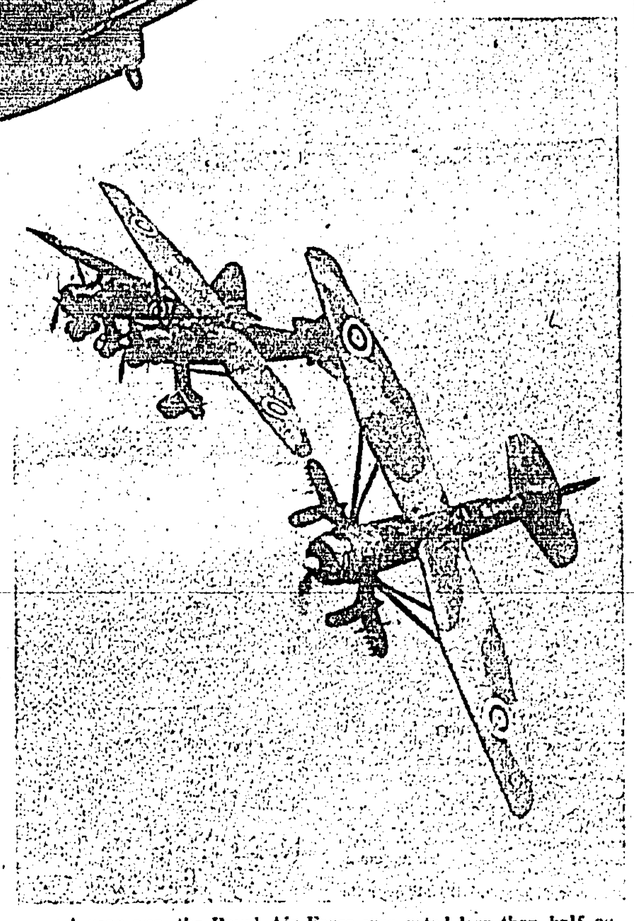
The two women ran to the window and leaned out. They saw two airmen, any two airmen, get into a cab and drive away. Gently Merle waved, her hand fluttering in the light like a dancer's scarf.

And at that moment the sound broke over London, the wild wailing of the mechanical banshee, the maniacal ululations of the air-raid signal.

So war came to England, hurriedly at first and without overmuch of drama.

Richardson and Bobby reached their unit, well-trained cogs in an immense and powerful machine. Britain's Air Force, a new and deadly enemy to Nazi Germany, on its toes, alert and eager.

A few short days passed and the Nazi underseas pirates began their work.



A year ago, the Royal Air Force was rated less than half as effective as the German. But planes now coming off the line at the rate of 1,000 a month have brought the R.A.F.'s first-line fighting force up to 3,000 planes. Among them is the Westland Lysander, an observation ship shown below "peeling off" before dropping bombs.

As the Athenia crossed the Atlantic death was stalking its innocent passengers. A voice spat out an order, a torpedo snaked through the sea, there was a deafening explosion, and those innocent passengers paid the first toll of warfare.

The resonant drone of Britain's Air Force deepened as it moved into its stride. Battleships of the air stood ready and waiting.

So did the young aviators, direct descendants of Britain's past heroes of sea and field. The atrocity of the sinking of the Athenia was something that must be revenged with deadly swiftness.

They had not long to wait.

SHORT, staccato orders were barked into a telephone and carried from the Chief of Air Staff down to the Station Commander. A certain plan was transmitted.

"Zero hour nineteen hundred . . ." From mouth to mouth the instructions were passed.

The first blow against the enemy was to be struck.

The Station Commander turned briefly to his Intelligence Officer.

"You've got all the necessary information?"

The I.O. nodded curtly. "Yes, sir."

"All right, carry on!"

The Intelligence Officer turned to one of the wing commanders. "Barran, can I have your pilots and crews here in a quarter of an hour?"

More instructions were flashed into telephones. The machinery began to click over with a fascinating efficiency. From lofty hangars emerged the giant planes selected for the hazardous job ahead.

Petrol, gallons of alcohol, poured in a never-ending flow into the tanks, guns were loaded with ammunition, bombing apparatus was fixed and tested, and bombs were loaded carefully into their allotted places.

Nothing must be left to chance. But it is the way of the Briton that, the more perilous and important the task, the lighter the heart with which he tackles it.

Even at this moment—prelude to an expedition that carried death as the price of failure—there was room for a joke.

From his pocket an aircraftman produced a piece of chalk, and selecting a bomb he carefully printed on it: "ONE FOR ADOLF," and he patted the bomb almost with loving care before it was loaded on to his plane!

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IN the Bombs Operation Room Intelligence - Officer Douglas stood before a large map. With complete informality the pilots and crews lounged around the vast table, waiting their last instructions.

"All the people here?"

"Yes, sir," replied the chief pilot.

"How many aircraft?"

"The full six."

"Right." The I.O. paused. "Well, boys, you're in luck . . . no propaganda leaflets this time. It's the real thing."

"Good!" replied one of the men, and excited grins spread across the faces of the rest.

"Now," continued the Intelligence Officer, "We've received information that the German pocket battleships are making towards the mouth of the Kiel Canal.

"By the time you get there they should be just inside. Your job is to secure direct hits on the battleships.

"Here are six copies of your route and weather forecast. You cross the coast at Chillingham—fighter command will be informed—change the course to 110 degrees. . . ."

He continued the technical information which the R.A.F. men absorbed carefully.

"I want cameras taken, of course. Exact data of what we achieve is important. Anything else?"

"Well, there's just one thing. I take it there's no balloon-barrage there?"

The I.O. shook his head. "Not if you stick to your route."

"Good," replied the chief pilot. "Well, that's the lot."

"Good luck."

"Thanks."

Without any more fuss the men started to move out of the room.

"What about our party to-night?" asked one of the crew to another.

"What are you doing to-morrow?" was the reply.

"O.K. Make it to-morrow," grinned the other, and he patted his friend cheerfully on the shoulder.

And so the adventure began. . . .

Propellers whirred, engines leapt to life like giants awaking from a brief slumber, and slowly, one after the other, the six planes moved slowly across the ground.

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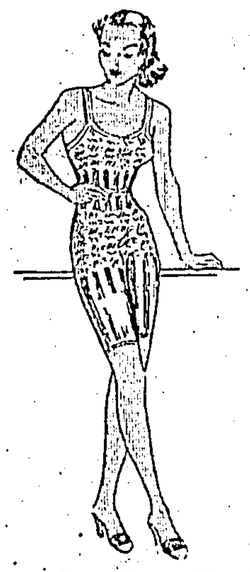

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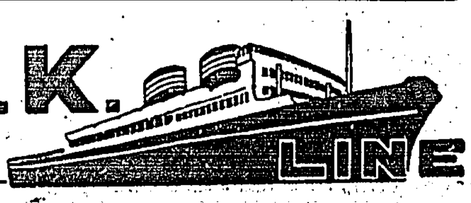

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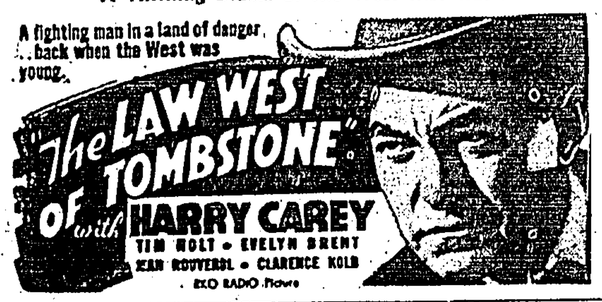

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Hitler Sends Congratulations

TOKYO, Feb. 12 (UP).—Hitler has sent a message to Emperor Hirohito expressing congratulations on the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire and the wish for further prosperity of the Japanese Imperial Household.

Chinese Prisoners For Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 12 (UP).—The Japanese War Minister has informed the Diet that the Army authorities are considering bringing Chinese prisoners of war to Japan in order to fill the demand for labour in certain unspecified types of work.

I. R. A. DISORDERS

Demonstration Against Coventry Execution

London, Feb. 12.

Hitherto the war has pre-occupied Britain, but to-night's speculation is the outcome of many demonstrations, more or less expected, as a result of the Barnes and Richards executions which have fanned anti-British feeling to the highest pitch.

At Belfast a melee, in which several thousand Nationalist sympathisers tore up the street cobbling and hurled rocks, bottles and brickbats from the roof tops on to the baton charging police, occurred, and at Dublin there was a meeting in which 10,000 cheered the expectation that Britain would be "ruthlessly crushed by Germany" and I.R.A. armed raids at Billykimlar had an anxious week-end, which recalled the Irish unrest when England was last engaged in a European war.

Meanwhile, with the exception of minor letter box bombings, the half expected eruption of further I.R.A. terrorism in Britain, following consummation of the Birmingham death sentences, has failed to materialise. This is attributed to the extraordinary precautions in centres all over the country, where special duty police are still watching the I.R.A. hideouts and guarding post offices and public buildings and other vulnerable spots.

In the Belfast demonstration, 13 are reported to have been hurt after riots in which the Nationalists hurled stones over the roof tops into the adjoining streets. Two youths tore large stones from the roadways and flung them into trucks filled with armed police. Trouble also developed at Armagh, where policemen stopped a meeting in a large club hall, after forcing an entrance. The meeting had previously been banned.

Other meetings and demonstrations were held all over Ireland, including Ulster, but they were quiet.

The labour leader, Mr. Joseph Cahil, told demonstrators that since the Barnes and Richards executions, several Protestant and some English residents had received threatening letters, but the threat was unauthorised by any of his organisations and were the work of private individuals.—*United Press.*

Treaty Abrogation

Agreement Between Japan And Netherlands

Tokyo, Feb. 12.

The Foreign Office announced today that an agreement had been reached between Japan and Netherlands to terminate the treaty of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement by August 11.

The signed protocol annexed to the treaty concluded on April 19, 1933, contained stipulations that in case a change were made in Japan's legal position *vis-a-vis* the Permanent Court of International Justice as a consequence of Japan's withdrawal from the League of Nations, the contracting parties should begin consultation for the purpose of examining whether it was necessary to revise the provisions of the treaty which concern the Permanent Court of International Justice.

Japan's withdrawal from the League of Nations and the change in her relations with the Permanent Court of International Justice have caused her to consider it necessary to make technical adjustments in the treaty.

The sole purpose of the Japanese Government action lies in their desire not to be further bound by the treaty in case the conversations for a treaty revision do not reach a conclusion by the said date.—*Domei.*

LATE NEWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

commands the Swedish-Finnish frontier north of the Gulf of Bothnia at a point where the strategic rail centres of Torneau and Haparanda are situated.

Scores of new pill-boxes and emplacements have been added to the "forward terrain" of the line, a desolate area about fifty miles deep stretching to the Finnish frontier.

There are no strategic approaches to the Swedish frontier from Finland except one—the railway running north along the coast of the Gulf of Bothnia. This railway is commanded by the Boden fortresses.

Two railways serve the Swedish fortifications, which have been equipped with new heavy guns with a large number of modern A.A. guns, produced by the famous Bofors factory, and claimed to be among the best in the world.

No official figures have been issued, but the 'Daily Telegraph' correspondent understands that not less than 70,000 men, fully trained and equipped, are now holding Sweden's northern bastion.

The War In China

Chinese Claim To Have Re-captured Pinyang

After a week of bitter fighting in the suburban regions, the Chinese claim that they smashed into Pinyang, the strategic city at the northern terminus of the Nanning-Pinyang highway, on Sunday night and recaptured the city from the Japanese.

A report from Liuchow states that Chinese troops tightened their grip on the city last week, and in a determined assault on Sunday morning, they routed the Japanese outside the city, inflicting over 5,000 casualties. Then, continuing their assault, the Chinese forced an entry and drove out the remnant Japanese.

After the arrival of reinforcements, the Japanese at Shuangtsui at the northern end of the Nanning-Wuming highway made a fresh attack shortly afterwards, but through quick manoeuvring the Chinese are said to have cut off the Japanese retreat.

Fighting is understood to be continuing in this sector.

Hupeh Successes

In Hupeh, Chinese forces have recaptured Hunlungtang, north of Kingshan, capturing two artillery pieces and a number of rifles and machine-guns.

Following up this success, they smashed into Kingshan by the east gate. Many Japanese were killed and some of the Japanese supply depots were set on fire.

Chukl, on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway in Chekiang, was bombed by nine Japanese planes last Saturday. Over 30 bombs were dropped and three persons were killed, while many houses were destroyed.

Other Towns Raided

Tunglu, south-west of Fuyang, was also raided by 12 enemy machines. Here, 14 bombs were dropped.

Kinhwa was attacked by 12 machines last Friday but sustained little damage.

Covered by a terrific naval barrage, a Japanese platoon attacked the Chinese positions east of Pengtseh, on the south bank of the Yangtse 38 miles below Kiukiang, on Sunday. The attack was hurled back yesterday morning.

From Chungking comes a report that several Japanese planes grounded at the Lunghua aerodrome, five miles from the International Settlement at Shanghai, were destroyed by Chinese guerillas, who made a sudden raid on Sunday.

Fukien Landing

It is reported from Foochow that four Japanese warships arrived off Tungshan Island off the South Fukien coast yesterday. Under a naval barrage, Japanese bluejackets landed at Kangkow, southwest of Tungshan City.

The Chinese put up stiff resistance and fighting is still in progress.

COLDEST WINTER IN HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—With further frost and snow, the present winter ranks as the coldest in Holland's history, according to the Dutch Weather Institute.

The record-breaking cold spells of 1855 and 1891 have been left well behind.

The River Waal 20 miles below Nijmegen is ten inches higher than she has ever been owing to dams caused by ice floes. Hence an increasingly serious flood situation is developing.

Cold Wave Terrors

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The new cold wave sweeping Europe is described as worse than the Arctic weather experienced last month, and from all over the continent come reports of hardship.

The greater part of Europe is experiencing temperatures of 20 to 30 degrees of frost, and heavy snowstorms have occurred in many countries.

Traffic is at a standstill all over the Danube Basin and the Balkans.

The Rome-Triest express has been held up while the railway between Copenhagen and Berlin has been suspended.

Berlin is shorter of coal than ever, and many buildings are without any form of heating.

Many people have been frozen to death in Hungary.

THYSSEN LOSES NATIONALITY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (UP).—Fritz Thyssen, "the man who made Hitler" has, despite previous Nazi denials, been deprived of his German citizenship.

The ban is effective with regard to his wife, Amelie.

An official announcement to this effect was made to-day by Dr. Wilhelm Frick, the Minister for the Interior.

The order became effective on February 4.

When Fritz Thyssen and his wife fled to Switzerland, they left behind in Germany his coal-mines, his armament factories and his millions.

All have been seized by the Nazis.

W.A.T.S. IN FRANCE

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is learned that a number of women of the Auxiliary Territorial Service are now on duty in France.

The exact number is unknown, but it is believed that it is only a proportion of those who eventually will be overseas.

"HAW-HAW" HEARD HERE

Nazi Propaganda Does Not Impress

Lord Haw-Haw, or one of his colleagues, is heard as clearly in the Far East on the short-waves as he is in England on the medium waves.

The overseas version of the "Humbug from Hamburg" is radiated via Zeesen, a powerful short-wave transmitter which operates on wavelengths close to those used by the B.B.C. overseas service.

German radio propaganda is not taken very seriously in the Far East particularly since Lord Haw-Haw has broadcast news items which his listeners have been able to check for themselves. Usually he keeps to anti-British news concerning Africa, the West Indies or even Great Britain which none of his listeners in the Far East are in a position immediately to deny. But when he broadcast about heavy war taxation in the Federated Malay States, every listener in Malaya knew he was lying. It was the same with a statement about Singapore being the centre of the "British opium trade." The only opium in Singapore is sold by the government under strict conditions to registered addicts only.

A neutral to British news services is paid by the Bangkok Chronicle (Thailand) which says they are "fairly prompt, frank and conservative" while German news is exactly the reverse.

Doses Of Gloom

But British people in the Far East are not yet entirely satisfied with the British news bulletins broadcast from the B.B.C. The "Straits Times" (Singapore), the leading English-language daily in Malaya, calls them "daily doses of gloom," and thinks that while they are 100 per cent. reliable "the restraint is overdone."

"News bulletins are too short and there is a tremendous field of neutral opinion to which no attention has yet been given. There are not enough foreign language broadcasts and the human touch is sadly lacking in the English bulletins," says the newspaper.

"A person with an extremely limited knowledge of English trying to gather something of the trend of the news from the tones of the announcer, might be excused for thinking he was listening to a funeral oration. There seems to be an impression in the B.B.C. that cheerfulness is positively indecent."

The newspaper also complains that stale news is repeated in several bulletins sometimes for 48 hours or more.

In many directions, it is admitted, British propaganda is functioning well, but there are no broadcasts in Dutch for the people of the Netherlands Indies, none in Siamese for the Thai people and none in Hindustani for Indians who nightly listen to the German broadcast in Hindustani. Chinese and Japanese are also neglected.

New Russo-German Pact

Nazis Help To Put Up Factories

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—A new German trade agreement providing for a total turnover of 1,000,000,000 marks was signed in Moscow during the week-end, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraaf."

The correspondent learns that German industry will erect a whole series of factories in Russia in exchange for deliveries of raw materials and food-stuffs.

The factories will include works for large scale production of artificial rubber.

It is believed that goods which Russia will send to Germany will include large quantities of grain, ore, and petroleum.

Neutral observers are of the opinion that transport difficulties may form a great obstacle to the fulfilment of the agreement.

NAZIS ENLIST THE POTATO

BERLIN, Feb. 12 (Reuter).—The humble potato is the latest raw material to be extensively used in Germany's lightning drive.

The number of things Germans now claim that they will be able to make from the potato is really surprising.

Forty different dyes and colourings alone can be made, these being used for colouring materials of various kinds.

Vinegar, starch and sugar are also being made and the potato is being used in the making of chocolates and pastries.

Finally, the potato is used to make beer and, from all evidence available, German beer to-day seems almost all potatoes.

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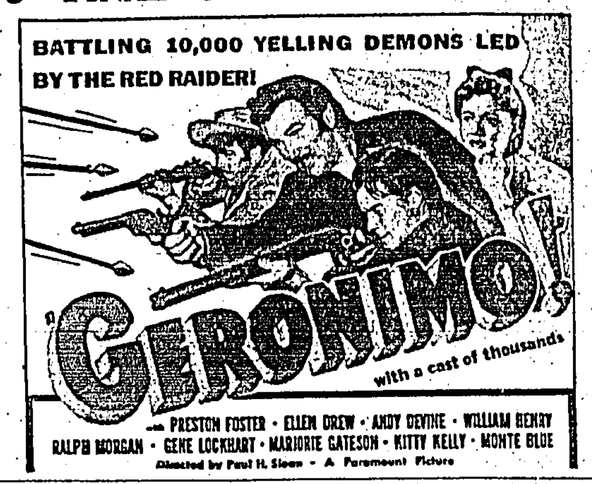

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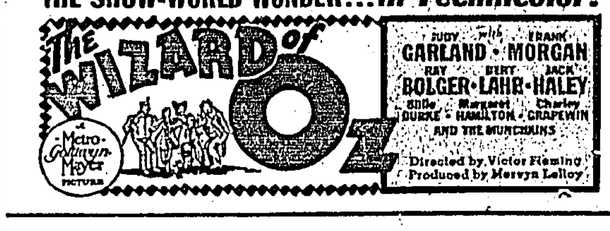

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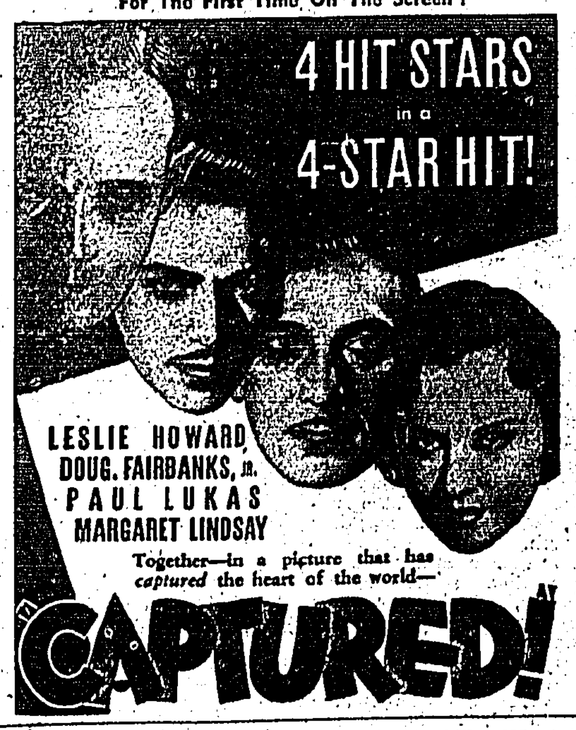

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